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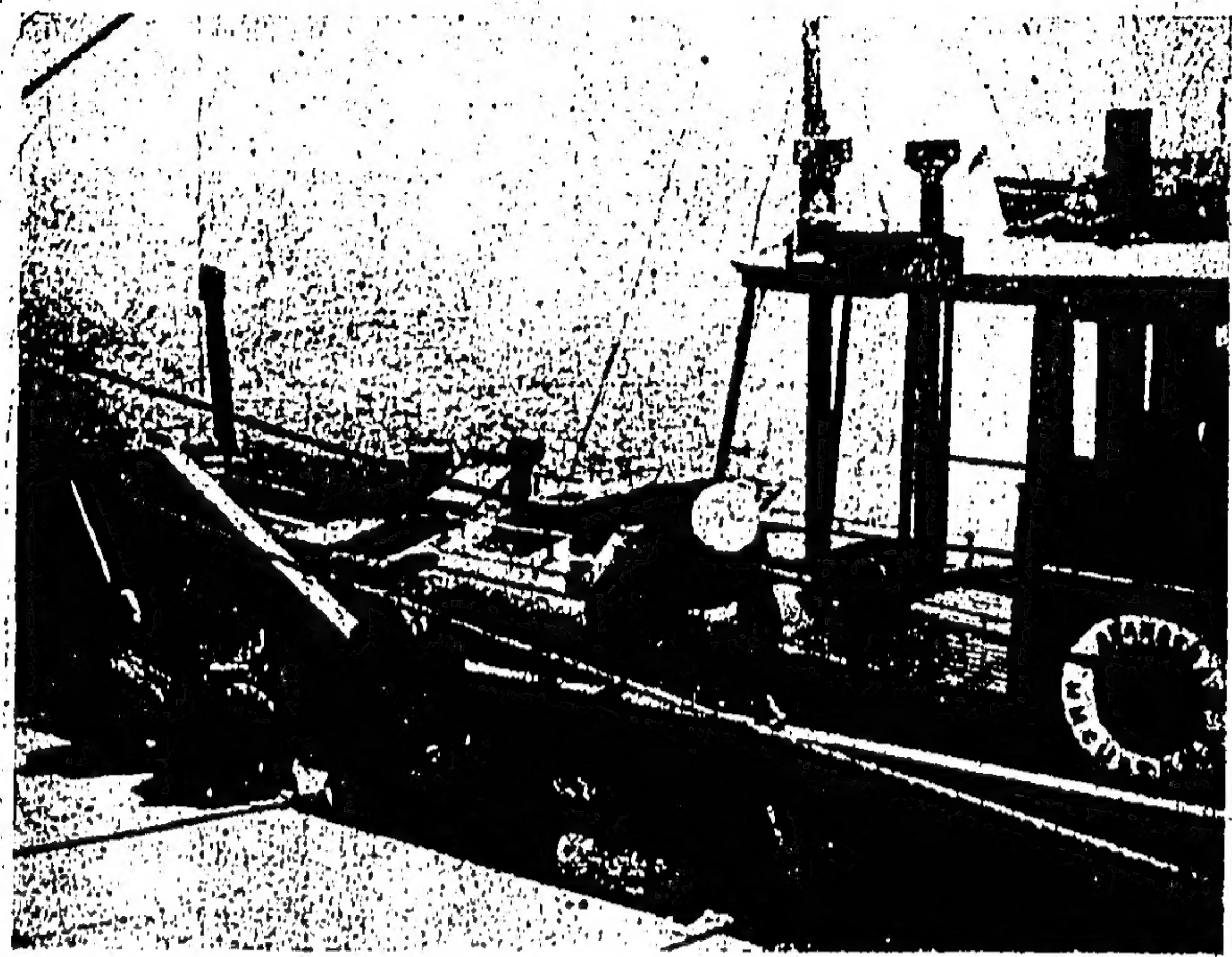
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BRITISH CUSTOMS MOVE

Britain is waging war on cross-channel smugglers. Here preventive officers from the latest Customs launch "Ranger" board a vessel at the mouth of the Thames for a routine check-up.

PEKING RUG FOR PRINCESS

Shanghai, Oct. 1. Princess Elizabeth will receive at her own request a Peking rug as her wedding gift from Britons in China.

The chances are, however, that she will not receive it before her wedding on November 20th, because it will be specially made in the ancient former capital city.

London reports that after a two-day visit, during which she took care of numerous wedding details and personal visits, Princess Elizabeth, accompanied by her sister, Princess Margaret, left London tonight to return to Balmoral Castle.

She will stay at the Castle until the King, who is at present shooting at Sandringham, and the entire Royal Family return to take up residence at Buckingham Palace which, as customary, will be some time during the first ten days of October.

Before leaving London, Princess Elizabeth this afternoon attended the christening of her god-daughter, the seven weeks old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Elphinstone.

Mr. Elphinstone is the second son of Lord Elphinstone and his mother is a sister of Queen Elizabeth, so that he is Princess Elizabeth's cousin. Associated Press and Reuter.

SHANGHAI TRANSPORT STRIKE SPREADS

Shanghai, Oct. 1. Shanghai's three-day transportation strike continued today as some 2,000 workers of the French-owned tram and bus company refused to return to work despite the threat of the authorities to use force.

The earlier assurance that the strike would be settled by this morning failed to materialize as the entire former French concession in Shanghai was still without trams, trolleys or buses this evening.

The French company workers walked out last Saturday after presenting a list of demands for better wages and working conditions. Meanwhile, the labour unrest is expected to spread to department stores, following the arrest last night of ten leaders of the Department Stores Workers' Union.

All the arrested men were being held as "Communist agents" who are alleged to have attempted to stir up trouble in the department stores. Meanwhile, in Peking, students of the American University are holding a two-day strike against the government.

HAGANA ALERTED FOR ARAB STRIKE

Major Crisis Looms In Palestine

Jerusalem, Oct. 1. For the first time since the 1936-39 Arab revolt, the full strength of Hagana—the largest and most moderate Jewish underground force with a strength exceeding 75,000 members—has alerted to stand by this week-end.

The alert followed reports to Hagana intelligence that the exiled Grand Mufti of Jerusalem, Haj Amin Hussein, from his headquarters in Cairo had ordered Palestine Arabs to observe Friday as the first day of the Arab "uprising" in Palestine.

Arab action would coincide with the planned general strike to be observed throughout the Muslim world protesting against the implementation of the United Nations' recommendation partitioning of Palestine.

Arab leaders here said the strike would go "peacefully" but the "Palestine Post" today warned British High Commissioner (Sir Allen Cunningham) against possible consequences of the stoppage.

The newspaper said the purpose of the strike was to serve the United Nations' "notice of certain consequences should the UNSCOP plans, whether those of the majority or minority, be approved by the UN General Assembly... and to Jews as a forerunner of what is in store for them should the nations of the world once again, even in attenuated form, take the decision made after the first world war."

Although the original statement of the Grand Mufti called for a strike with "many public meetings and demonstrations," the Jerusalem Office of the Arab Higher Committee eliminated the word "demonstrations."

Incidents? Its manifestoes called for an all-day strike with mass attendance at mosques and churches.

Arabs circled said that, because in the past whenever there was a strike the Arab Committee clearly cut out the word "demonstrations," the forthcoming strike may be followed by some incidents.

One well-informed Arab said: "If there are incidents they will not be of a serious nature. They are likely to take the form of throwing stones at Jewish buses passing through Ramleh, south of Tel-Aviv."

Reports reaching Jerusalem suggested that the Grand Mufti is preparing to leave Cairo for Lebanon in the near future and establish "advance headquarters" in the village of Kurnal where he would be in a better position to direct the Arab "uprising" from outside Palestine's borders should the United Nations reach a decision unfavourable to Arabs.

Official circles here believe the Grand Mufti would leave Cairo.

"It is a question of time, not fact," one source said.

In Lebanon

In Lebanon the Grand Mufti would be in contact with his chief of staff, Fawzy el Kuwukji, who is entrusted with enlisting and training the Arab terrorist army in accordance with "decisions reached immediately after the Arab League conference in Syria last year."

At that meeting it was reported that a secret understanding was reached that if the Arab League failed to get satisfaction by diplomatic means the Arab States would support the Mufti's army based on Damascus. One condition of that agreement, it is understood, is that the Mufti would not act until the League abandoned all prospects of peaceful negotiation.

It is still questionable whether the Arab masses in Palestine are ready for anything resembling an uprising. Friday would be the first test.

Although the Anglo-American Inquiry Commission was told by the commander of Palestine troops (General John D'Orsey) that in any physical showdown confined to Palestine the Hagana would have the upper hand the Hagana hoped to avoid any conflict with Arabs which would inflame the Arab world.

Therefore, the greatest precautions taken by Hagana since 1939 were in operation. Hagana had ordered "discreet" protection of synagogues, cinemas and public places as well as outlying settlements, particularly Negev on the Syrian-Lebanese border of the Jordan Valley.

British officials appreciate that soon the security zones of the three Palestine main cities must be revised. It is considered likely that precautions must be taken against Arabs as well as Jews in Jerusalem, Haifa and Jaffa. — United Press.

V2 Rocket Did This



When a V2 rocket comes to earth—this plant crater was made by one of the 14-ton missiles fired from the United States Army's proving grounds at White Sands, New Mexico. The rocket soared 100 miles skyward into the ionosphere and the stratosphere, its warhead equipped with an automatic camera and scientific instruments. The rocket came down in the Organ Mountains and, with no explosion, landed, plunging 30 or 35 ft into the ground. On its flight, lasting a few minutes, it reached a speed of 3,800 m.p.h. At the moment these rockets are being fired twice monthly from White Sands.

Chiang's Men Take Chefoo

RED LINES SEVERED

Nanking, Oct. 1. Government forces captured Chefoo, main Communist supply port on the Shantung peninsula, this morning. This was confirmed by General Peng Wen-yi, spokesman of the Ministry of National Defence, at a press conference this afternoon.

The Nationalists entered the port at 8.30 this morning and completed the occupation of the city shortly afterwards. The fall of Chefoo was the climax to a series of Government victories in North China during the past two weeks.

Important communications between the Communist forces south of the Great Wall and those in northwest China have been severed by this latest Nationalist victory.

From a strategic point of view, this is a great victory for the Government in its efforts to suppress the Communists.

President Chiang Kai-shek has sent a personal message to the commander of the 25th Division, which was the first to enter Chefoo, to protect all foreign missionaries there.

The remnants of the Communist forces on the Shantung peninsula are believed to be heading for Weihaiwei, 40 miles east of Chefoo, and the sole remaining base in Communist hands. — Reuter.

Plans for improving Hong Kong's airport facilities submitted more than a year ago, are stymied because of financial considerations, according to the Colonial Office today.

A spokesman said: "Plans submitted by the United Kingdom Commission which visited Hong Kong over a year ago are still under consideration."

"There are serious financial problems which must be resolved before a decision can be made to proceed with the schemes." — United Press.

Raiders Attack Delhi Hospital

New Delhi, Oct. 1. It was officially announced yesterday that armed raiders attacked Sadrang Hospital near Willington air station. Three patients were killed and 13 wounded, one of whom died later.

Non-military guards fired ten rounds and one assailant was injured. The Emergency Committee of the Cabinet has taken a serious view as the hospital is guarded by non-military personnel.

It directed immediate punitive action against villages near Delhi where the raiders were believed to have come from.

Consideration Meanwhile, in London, the views of the Indian and Pakistan governments concerning British Commonwealth aid or advice in checking communal rioting are receiving "close and sympathetic consideration" in Whitehall.

The British Government however, cannot take the lead in the matter of rendering any such advice or assistance, authoritative quarters said today.

Whitehall quarters said the issues involved were so delicate that the exchange of views between the Commonwealth member governments must continue for some time before any development can emerge.

In the meantime, there are unconfirmed reports that Earl Mountbatten, Governor-General of India, may return to England for consultations. Official quarters do not confirm such reports, but it is recalled that Lord Mountbatten will be coming to England in any case for the wedding of

Farran Faces Charge Of Murdering Jew

Jerusalem, Oct. 1. Captain Roy Farran, former Superintendent of the Palestine Police, pleaded not guilty today at his court martial on a charge of murdering 16-year-old Alexander Rubovitz, Stern Gang pamphleteer.

The strictest security measures were invoked for the Jerusalem military court building, formerly the Italian Consulate, in the modern Talbich quarter.

Each newspaper and agency in the Holy Land was given a seat and the correspondents were informed they would not be able to leave the court during proceedings.

The charge against Farran, under Section 41 of the Army Act, reads that he committed a "civil offence, that is to say, murder, that he on the night of May 4-7, 1947, near the Jerusalem-Jericho road, murdered Alexander Rubovitz."

Captain Farran holds the Distinguished Service Order and the Military Cross for operations with the British Guards in the Middle East during the 1940s.

TYPHOON WARNING

Typhoon at 1200 GMT (9 p.m. Hong Kong time) centred within 60 miles of 21 deg. N, 121 deg. E, moving WNW at 15 knots. Wind force 15 in NW quadrant.

The Weather At 0600 hrs. GMT (3 a.m. Hong Kong time), a small intense typhoon was centred in the East Sea, about 250 miles ESE of Hong Kong, moving W or WNW at 15 to 20 knots. The anticyclone over N. China continues to intensify and spread eastward. A trough associated with the typhoon extends from the Tanaka across N. China to the Caroline Islands.

Today's Forecast: WNW NW winds, increasing and shifting, reaching gale force tonight; fair at 4000, but becoming cloudy with rain later.

Yesterday's Weather: Maximum 84.7 deg. F.; Minimum 71.1 deg. F.; Rainfall 0.1 in. Total since Jan. 1—244.4 mm (9.6 in.) against an average of 194.5 mm (7.7 in.) for this time of year.

Heavy Earthquake Rocks Hawaii

Honolulu, Oct. 1. The strongest quakes in two years generated in the depth of the active volcano Kilauea rocked the island of Hawaii at 4 a.m. today, but no serious damage was reported.

The quake, which was strong enough to put out of action all seismological instruments in Hilo and in the volcano area, did not indicate an approaching eruption of the volcano cone, according to Mr. Roy Finch, volcanologist at the Hawaii National Park.

He said a definite pattern of earth tremor always precedes such eruptions. This one did not follow the prescribed pattern. The Geodetic Survey seismograph on Oahu recorded the quake and it was felt, slightly, along the entire coast of the island. But the Survey seismologist classified it as a "local" quake, and it was sufficiently powerful, however, to awaken nearly all residents on the main island. — United Press.

In Persia Too Teheran, Oct. 1. The Persian Red Crescent Society, whose activities are directed to the Red Cross in Persia, has rushed 400 blankets and 100 pairs of shoes to the front lines.

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CROWN ATTACKED IN ALLEN CASE

"Crown Counsel is not God, and it's time he got down to some work," protested Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones when Mr. F. F. W. Shaftain, Senior Superintendent of Police, told Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday in "the Allen Case" that Crown Counsel was "still going over the files and could not say yet whether the case would be taken summarily or would be for committal."

Mr. Hugh-Jones also protested against continuous refusal to grant his client (Man Kam-tai) bail, and the suggestion of Crown Counsel that the case would be tried summarily if the defence was prepared to have all the charges lumped into one.

He was given to understand, said Mr. Hugh-Jones, that should he refuse, the case would go to Sessions.

This, he protested, was tantamount to putting on him the onus of how the charges would be heard.

"Hindered"

The refusal to grant his client bail, he submitted, greatly handicapped his preparation of the defence in a case which, involving as it did, 27 charges, and 50 witnesses, would require constant consultations with his client.

"I could not possibly be expected to run up to the Remand Prison every time I want to discuss a point with the fourth defendant," declared Mr. Hugh-Jones.

His Worship pointed out that that was what defending counsel in a murder charge, where no bail was allowed, had to do.

Mr. Shaftain told the Court there would be 27, and possibly 40, charges against defendants. In view of the work involved,

said Mr. Shaftain, Crown Counsel did not think he could take the case on Oct. 6, as originally fixed, and suggested a postponement of four or five days.

Replying to Mr. Hugh-Jones' criticisms, Mr. Shaftain declared the Crown was not making things difficult for the defence. The case had arrived at the stage where the Police had completed their investigations.

The file was in the hands of the Law Officer.

Denial

"The Police," averred Mr. Shaftain, "have not wasted a single day since the arrest of defendants."

His Worship suggested that hearing should commence at 10 a.m. on Oct. 6 on the basis of committal proceedings and that should the prosecution decide, at a later stage, to take it summarily, witnesses could be recalled for cross-examination.

HOT-PLATE

Tao Ping-wan, 43, had his meter removed in August by the China Light & Power Co. for non-payment of his account.

Used to electricity he connected his wires to the Company's main.

Mr. A. Y. Lee, of the China Light, inspecting meters on Sept. 30, found the connection and entering the flat, found a hot-plate used by Tao.

Before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr yesterday on a charge of larceny of electricity, Tao admitted the above facts. He was formerly in the employ of the China Light but left about a year ago.

He was sentenced to eight months' hard labour.

POLICE FACE MENACE CHARGE

Three Chinese Police constables appeared before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday charged with demanding with menaces the sum of 50 cents from Woo Yam at Tai Lam Chung, Castle Peak, on Sept. 20, and were, at the request of Det-Sub-Inspector C. Bowman, remanded for three days in custody.

Defendants were PCC 1652 Li Kam, 23, PCC 1684 Wong Po-sung, 25, and PCC 1208 Cheung Kam, 25.

REMAND

P.C. 1569 Cheung Por, charged with demanding money with menaces on July 18 from Chow Fui, lorry driver, was further remanded by Mr. F. X. d'Amada at Central yesterday.

Mr. M. A. da Silva is for the defence.

What Happened In The Courts

Fitters Face Charge Of Sabotage

Li Fuk and Yuen Chung-hing, fitters employed at the Uck-Un Government Quarry, appeared before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon charged with conspiring to render useless certain machinery at the Quarry.

Divisional Superintendent C. Mottram alleged that the accused, who were among the strikers in August-September, approached Tung Tse-kwong (who was one of the workers at the time) and suggested that he put a certain solution into the gasoline tank of a certain machine in order to "slow up the working power, thereby furthering the strikers' cause."

The "sabotage" was foisted upon a former colleague, although on strike, informed Mr. H. Hall, the manager of the Quarry.

When the matter was reported to the Police, Det-Inspector C. Y. Siu made inquiries which led to the arrest of the accused.

Another man was involved but he escaped and, the Police believe, had since left the Colony.

On being charged, defendants said that they only suggested the idea but did not actually put it into execution.

Before the hearing was adjourned to tomorrow, Mr. Marcus da Silva successfully applied for a reduction of the bail from \$6,000 to \$2,000, half in cash, and half in surety, for both defendants.

DANGEROUS GOODS

Divisional Officer R. H. J. Brook of the Kowloon Fire Brigade was yesterday complainant in five summonses against Kowloon firms for illegal storage of dangerous goods.

To Kai, of Cheung Hing Hong, 502 Shanghai Street, ground floor, was fined \$250 by Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr for storing kerosene in an unauthorised place.

Defendant had a previous conviction and was warned only a few days before the summons was taken out.

For storing 3,696 lbs. of sodium nitrate in 180 Hui Tan Street on Sept. 12, Chan Cheung Wing of Wong Cheung Hing, 89 Wing Lok Street, was fined \$200.

Wong Shun-chi of Wo Yue Co., Pedder Building, fifth floor, was fined \$750 on three summonses respecting storage of 6,150 lbs. of acids, 100 bags of potassium nitrate and 6,900 lbs. of aluminium powder in 81A Yue Kuk Street.

"We can't have you blowing yourselves and other people up," said His Worship when imposing the maximum fine on each summons. On the application of R/O Brook, His Worship also recommended that defendant's licence for the storage of acids be cancelled.

FIVE RADIO DEALERS FINED

Five radio dealers were summoned before Mr. W. A. Blair-Kerr at Kowloon yesterday for failing to submit returns of their monthly transactions.

R. G. Whitehead, 182A Nathan Road, first floor, Wong Man-foon of Amusement Radio and Electrical Co., 608 Nathan Road, Chiu Kai of Tung Nam Radio Co., 604 Shanghai Street, and Wong Mooh-kong of the Prince Electric Co., 170 Prince Edward Road, failed to file returns for June and July.

Liu Yu-pu of the South Eastern Electric Co., 341 Nathan Road, forgot to submit an account for May and July.

Defendants were fined \$30 each.

The sugar ration for October has been fixed at 2 lbs. per person.

Woman Faces Gold Smuggling Charges

A 50-year-old Chinese woman appeared before Mr. Conklin at Central yesterday on a charge of importing gold bars without a permit from the I. & E.

R. O. Redman requested a remand until Oct. 24 and bail of \$350 was allowed Mr. Hin Shing Lo will appear for the defence.

The gold bars are valued at \$21,000 and defendant was accused of bringing them into the Colony on board the s.s. "Wing Hing."

CLOSURE PLEA

Before Mr. J. G. Conklin at Central yesterday, Mr. P. J. Griffith on behalf of the mortgagee, Kung Shin Shing, applied for a closure order in respect of No. 33 Elgin Street, but informed the Court that, at the present stage, he was only able to offer the evidence of two witnesses, after which he would have to ask for an adjournment in order that expert evidence from the architect could be given.

Mr. Conklin granted the adjournment and fixed 11.30 a.m. on October 9 for further hearing.

Mr. Kung Shin Shing, mortgagee of the building, No. 33 Elgin Street, produced documents relating to the mortgage.

Asked what he thought of the condition of the building, he replied that he was not in a position to give an opinion, and said that the P.W.D. would be the better authority.

He said that part of the building had been shored up by the Building Authority.

Notice had been served on him by the P.W.D. and a letter had been received.

The building had been let to four separate principal tenants, but now the building had been sublet he could not say.

Mr. Hanson, of the Building Ordinance Office, P.W.D., said he recognized a document in court as a notice he served on the landlord but said he was not prepared to say whether the building was dangerous or not.

Hearing was then adjourned to on October 9.

BURGLAR

Charged with burglary and larceny, Li Choi, 34, unemployed, was sentenced by Mr. F. X. d'Amada at Central yesterday to six months' hard labour.

Det. Inspector Coles said that at 5 a.m. on September 30 defendant broke into the home of Chan Cheung Loi.

CAR-LESS

Summoned for leaving his car No. 2651 unattended in Chanter Road from 11.05 a.m. to 12.25 p.m. on July 17, Mr. H. G. Birch, Hongkong University, was cautioned by Mr. F. X. d'Amada yesterday.

JAP COLONEL HEARS STORY OF TORTURES

The trial of Colonel Kanazawa Asao, former Hong Kong Kempeitai Chief, accused of maltreating prisoners and civilians, continued yesterday after a three day recess. The Court had granted the recess to enable a new defence counsel to prepare his case.

Four prosecution witnesses, out of forty odd still to be heard, testified to atrocities and tortures which took place at Central Police Station while Kanazawa was in charge.

L. S. A. Curreen, who said he was arrested on May 3 with 13 others, testified that he was interrogated twice and beaten when he refused to admit that he was a spy.

Also arrested on May 3, Harry Prithi Paul, of 18 Morrison Road, said that he was given the water torture, the airplane torture and was beaten on four or five different occasions. He spent 3½ months in a cell on the ground floor of Victoria Prison.

Choi Lai Cheng said her husband was arrested on May 3, and that when she went to visit him at Victoria Prison after his arrest, his stomach and legs were swollen.

After his release, he told her that he had been given the water torture, the airplane torture and had been beaten. As a result of these atrocities, he died in January 1946, she said.

The case was adjourned.

UNIDENTIFIED

Police have not yet identified the body of a Chinese, who was found on Lai Chi Kok Branch on the morning of August 31, 1947.

Cause of death was drowning. The body was fully dressed in white singlet and vest, white flannel shorts and white cotton under-pants, green stockings and white rubber shoes.

Inside each shoe the Chinese name Yuen Shu Lam is written. In the pocket was a white handkerchief also marked Yuen Shu Lam.

Friends or relatives of Yuen Shu Lam are requested to communicate with the police.

SHARE TRANSFERS

It is believed that there is a considerable number of share transfer deeds in the hands of the public which have been executed by the transferor, but have not yet been stamped in accordance with the provisions of the Stamp Ordinance, 1921.

As it seems likely that the reason for this omission, in many instances, is that the Stamp Office was not functioning fully when the deeds were signed, the Government has decided to allow them to be stamped without penalty, provided they are submitted for stamping not later than October 31, 1947.

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To meet the commercial and other needs of the Colony it is recognised that the company should be controlled from Hong Kong, so the BOAC is inviting members of the Colony's commercial community to join the Board of Hong Kong Airways.

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London Elects New Lord Mayor

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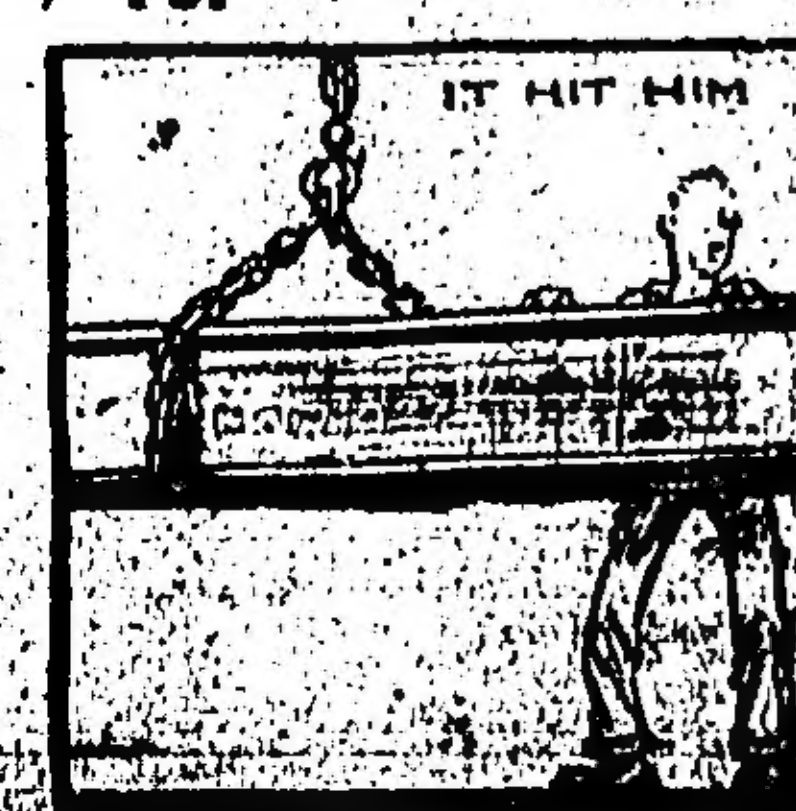
Sir Frederick, well-known manufacturing chemist and long-time Alderman, will take over in November the massive gold chain of office and his duties as chief administrative officer of the "City"—the mile square area in the heart of London embracing the original site of the walled city on the Thames.

As the Guildhall clock struck noon, 82 Aldermen representing the centuries-old city livery companies, filed through their

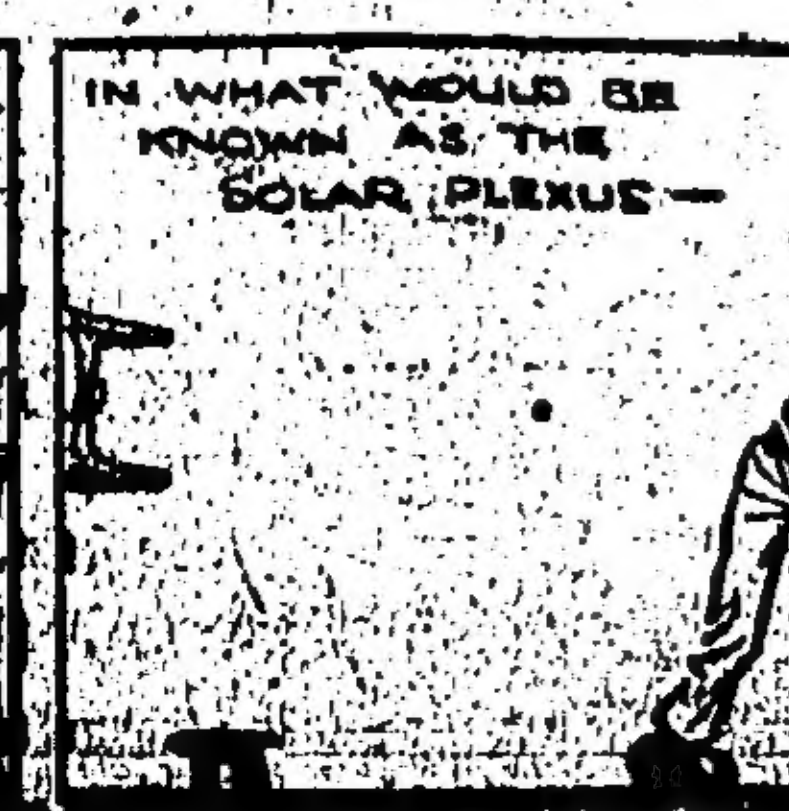
respective gates into the hall. Each carried a posy of scented flowers and the way ahead was strewn with sweet-smelling herbs of traditional precaution against the plague.

Sir Frederick, who succeeds Sir Brucewell Smith as Lord Mayor, thanked the Court for his election and declared that "in spite of its scars this is still the City of London and it remains even yet the centre of the Empire."—Associated Press.

POP



IN WHAT WOULD BE KNOWN AS THE SOLAR FLARE



IF HAD BEEN ANYONE ELSE



Stiffer Austrian Attitude To Soviet Union

Vienna, Sept. 29. A stiffening of Austria's attitude towards Soviet claims is seen in a speech made by Dr. Karl Gruber, Austrian Foreign Minister, to the People's Party at Bornbörn.

GRUBER—2 Lo Kwong Fai Austria, said Dr. Gruber, had no interest in such a treaty as Soviet Russia was now proposing.

He was quoted as saying that Russia had made an "unbelievable" claim in her definition of German assets to be distributed under the Austrian treaty.

The Soviet Union claimed all German assets without any of their liabilities, and also the products of Vienna.

The Soviet theory would, in practice, lead to a situation in which the frontiers between the Austrian republic and the Soviet Union would be unrecognisable, he said.

Disastrous Austria, 50% of Europe's big steel-producing countries, was being forced into a "disastrous" situation, he said, by the war with Russia.

Import oil from the United States while her own oil production was "trickling away without leaving any trace."

Dr. Gruber drew a parallel between the West, "whence relief to the value of hundreds of millions of dollars is rolling in to Austria gratis and without conditions," and the East, which has been unable to feed its own populations and therefore was unable to offer foodstuffs on reasonable conditions.

Continued appeals for closer relations with the East seemed to point to a wish to push Austria into an economic political alliance, he said.

Austria could make an alliance neither with the East nor the West but if the Marshall aid plan for Europe succeeded she would be able to develop her resources and her position in the world with the East by

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HOLDING THE HEMLINE

New Minister Agrees With Cripps Doctrine

No Coupons For New Fashions

London, Sept. 30.
Now it looks as though they were packing the Cabinet for a battle to hold the hemline. Bare-kneed British women who think long skirts would be warmer, smarter and sexier drew no solace from the first public utterance of Harold Wilson who, at 31, last night became the youngest member of the British Cabinet in 150 years.

Mr. Wilson was tending a lobster pot in Cornwall when they reached him with word of his appointment as President of the Board of Trade in succession to Sir Stafford Cripps who believes that skirts should be almost as short as everything else in Britain.

"Long skirts," snorted Mr. Wilson, fondling a freshly caught lobster, "damned silly. I am in complete accord with Sir Stafford Cripps. There will be no change in policy with regard to short skirts."

He took advantage of the occasion to lay down the law to pretty blonde Mrs. Wilson who was keeping three-year-old Robin Wilson away from the lobster.

"So far as this household is concerned," he said, "the skirts stay short. With a three-year-old to clothe nobody has coupons for new fashions."

Youngest Since Pitt

London, Oct. 1.
Hard-working James Harold Wilson today moved into his new office as President of the Board of Trade.

The youngest British Cabinet Minister since William Pitt, at 25, was named Chancellor of the Exchequer 165 years ago on July 6, 1782, unlike Pitt, he came up the hard way.

Born in humble surroundings at Huddersfield he studied at Council schools and then won a scholarship to a grammar school, where he astonished his teachers by feats of memory.

Another scholarship took him to Jesus College, Oxford. He continued his brilliant career and at 22 was made a Fellow of the University College.

During the war he was a member of the War Cabinet Secretariat and after various Ministerial positions, he was appointed Director of Economics and Statistics at the Ministry of Fuel and Power in 1943.—Associated Press.

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Mrs Wilson made no reply for publication.

The appointment of Mr. Wilson to the Cabinet gave short-skirt dealers two votes in the Government with not a single official voice raised on behalf of those who would remove the knee and the knee plus from the public eye.

Support

Sir Stafford Cripps and Wilson doubtless drew aid and comfort from a survey of readers' letters in the anti-Cripps and anti-Wilson "Daily Mail."

"The Mail" said that out of 139 readers, 106 wanted to keep skirts on the present high level. The reasons given: national economy, utility, comfort and a

Korea Leader's Withdrawal Caution

Seoul, Sept. 30.
Dr. Syngman Rhee, in a statement, demanded today that the Soviets prove their sincerity by withdrawing from the north immediately and unconditionally so that we may form any Government according to our own choice.

But simultaneously he demanded that the "United States maintain a small force for the security of South Korea without interference to our sovereign rights as an independent nation until we organise our Government according to the will of the people through a general election and take over administration of the American Military Government."

Dr. Rhee also cryptically warned: "Koreans are at last determined to hold a general election and form a Government even in the American zone either with or without the co-operation of the American Military Government."

He explained that Soviet withdrawal would prove Russia's "noble protestations." Whereas "as we hold the United States partly responsible—at least for the division of our country—the United States must not and cannot pull out until we have time to evolve order and peace out of the chaos caused by foreign occupation."

Dr. Rhee asserted Koreans could complete the organisation of a "national defence army" within six weeks.

Washington Surprised

Washington, Oct. 1.
Despatches from Nanking saying that the United States Army had submitted plans to the Government for equipping and training ten Chinese divisions to fight the Chinese Communists failed to arouse a positive response in Washington.

Spokesmen for both the War and State Departments said: "We know nothing about it."

They explained: "Any American training or assistance of the Chinese National Army at present must be by the Army Advisory Group at Nanking, and within the scope of their authorised activities."

They indicated they did not believe that the group's authority could permit such activities as those reported to be proposed.—Associated Press.

Newspaper Warned

London, Sept. 30.
The "South London Press," which recently published a letter calling for the hanging of Jewish Members of Parliament from lamp-posts, was warned today by the police that proceedings for "seditious libel" will be taken by the public prosecutor against newspapers that print matter preaching anti-Semitism or other race hatred.

Detectives from Scotland Yard's Special Branch, which deals with political affairs and espionage, visited the newspaper's office.—Reuter.

"wish to show off nylons." Twenty-one "Mail" readers wrote that longer skirts would be warmer and "kinder to the figure."

Twelve of the "Mail's" more crusty correspondents said women should stop bothering about "foolish fashion" and choose whatever length suited them personally.—United Press.

Destroyer Limps Into Venice

Venice, Sept. 30.
The United States destroyer, Douglas H. Fox, was brought into drydock at Venice today and officials estimated it would take three weeks to repair the damage caused when the ship struck a mine yesterday.

Cmdr C.W. Travis, of the Fox, said the damage had not yet been completely determined, but the ship was still partly flooded in the aft section.

A United Press correspondent went aboard the vessel, but the commander refused to permit an inspection tour or further to discuss the mine incident "because of regulations."

Meanwhile, a message from Trieste said U.S. Navy officials announced today that the 12 men injured during the incident were "out of danger."

The men are recovering at the Seventh General Hospital at Trieste. Naval officials continued to withhold their names and those of the three men killed in the blast.—United Press.

Persian Earthquake

Tehran, Sept. 30.
One hundred and twenty people were killed and a further 300 are missing, almost certainly killed, as the result of an earthquake at Dostabad, in Persia's northeast province of Khorassan, near the Soviet border, it was officially announced here tonight.

The earthquake occurred three days ago, the communication said, but communications with the area had been cut off since then.

Further casualties were reported from Ferdows, in the same province, it was added.—Reuter.

Italian Colonies: London Conference

Rome, Sept. 30.
Britain will hold the key to the future of Italy's former African Empire when the special deputies of the Big Four Foreign Ministers confer on the problem in London on Friday, sources close to the Italian Government said today.

All Italian colonial experts stress that the question is "fundamentally Anglo-Italian," and declared that "on the solution of the problem rests the future of Anglo-Italian relations for years to come."

The Italian view is that it was Britain who encouraged Italy to make her first step in African colonisation in 1889, when Italian experts first set foot in Somalia.

It is Britain who now occupies these territories and who stands to gain or lose by allowing Italy to continue her work in Africa or by excluding her.

In London, a Foreign Office spokesman confirmed that the Soviet Government had accepted the invitation of the Government to join the conference.

So far, no agreement has been reached between the Big Four powers as to which countries should be specially invited to submit views on the future of the colonies and that this will be discussed when the conference opens.

Its main task, he added, would be to send out a four-power investigation commission to report upon conditions in the four colonies concerned, Cyrenaica, Tripolitania, Eritrea and Italian Somaliland.—Reuter.

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DEATH

ANGUS.—On Oct. 1, 1947 at 6.15 p.m. at the Queen Mary Hospital, Mrs. Matilda Angus. Aged 74 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. today.

COLLISION

The collision between the United States and the Soviet over Security Council membership, now likely to be resolved by agreement on the selection of Czechoslovakia, is sufficient to reveal how important the present session of the United Nations Assembly may be in the history of our times. A small matter in itself, on the surface, it is nevertheless, symptomatic. The United States Secretary of State, Mr. Marshall, has made it clear that he intends to bring matters to a definite issue with Russia during this meeting. The primary question which he has selected for his purpose is the threat to Greek independence from the Communist-dominated States of Albania, Yugoslavia and Bulgaria through their aid to Greek rebels. Behind these States stand Soviet Russia. Over their activities she has cast the protective mantle of her veto. In an attempt to deprive them of that cloak of diplomatic invisibility, Mr. Marshall is raising the Greek question in the General Assembly, from whom he will demand "prompt action."

The Russians must respond to so blunt a challenge. It is on the nature of their response that the future prospects of the United Nations organization rest. It is by no means impossible that the outcome may be Russia's withdrawal from the organization altogether, in which case, whatever the residue may call itself, it will not be the United Nations, for the Soviet would not depart alone. Such a result would be a major disaster. None the less the Secretary of State has taken his stand in so uncompromising a manner, that there can be little doubt that he has included this possibility in his appreciation of the situation. Evidently he regards the ebbing of world confidence in the organization's effectiveness, which is the direct consequence of Russia's cynical use of her veto powers, as likely to prove mortal as an open cleavage. The doubts and disappointment of the smaller Powers are likely to find expression in an attack on the institution of the veto itself. Mr. Marshall takes the view that it is not the machinery but the spirit in which it is worked that is at fault. The veto is the constitutional expression of the realities of power. If so greatly a Power as the Soviet Union is determined to resist the findings of the majority of the United Nations, it matters little whether she holds a formal right of veto or not. In selecting Greece as a test case Mr. Marshall has probably been influenced by the extensive documentation of the affair. He might as well have chosen—for instance—the manifest interference of the Russians in the internal affairs of Hungary, for the issue in both cases is the same. It is the issue which the British faced in Athens in 1944: whether or not a well-organized, ruthless Communist minority shall be permitted to seize the reins of government in a democratic State by violent means. There may be degrees of violence employed, but the methods in Hungary, do not differ in kind from those which were countered by British arms in Greece. There, is every evidence that we are faced in Europe with a concerted Communist attempt to exploit to their advantage the economic and political confusion of the Continent. Under the shadow of Russian arms this campaign is pursued in contempt of democratic procedure. Further west it follows a more circumspect and constitutional form. Economic collapse might furnish the Communists of Italy and France with a favourable political opportunity without resort, perhaps, to more dubious tactics. Thus the attitude taken up by Mr. Marshall at Lake Success would appear to be the political counterpart of his offer of economic aid at Harvard. The two represent a solid and consistent policy which is likely to be tenaciously pursued. Britain has already made its position plain. No effort will be spared to seek a compromise whereby Russian co-operation, both in European economic reconstruction and in the fabrication of an effective world security system, can be obtained. None the less no compromise can be accepted which would prejudice the high principles of freedom that the Charter of the United Nations binds us to defend.

Prof. Piccard's Venture Into The Unknown

By Alfred Cheval

Fifty three thousand feet up in the sky, in 1932, and 12,000 feet below the sea in 1947, or a total perpendicular distance of 65,000 feet—such will be 63-year-old Swiss scientist Auguste Piccard's record if he succeeds in his deep sea expedition in the Gulf of Guinea.

Piccard and Max Cosyns, his assistant, are now busy getting their "bathyscaphe" (from the Greek meaning undersea vessel) ready and hope to leave Antwerp for the Gulf of Guinea, West Africa, at the end of September on their transporter ship, the Belgian cargo vessel "Scaldia".

Piccard's submarine, or "undersea balloon" as he likes to call it, is indeed very similar to the Professor's stratospheric balloon, the pre-war F.B.R.S.I. The bathyscaphe's main part is like the stratospheric balloon's spheric cabin suspended from a light metal ship-shaped container holding gas-oil as a balloon holds helium or any other light gas. But Piccard's undersea balloon will have to bear a pressure of 6,000 pounds per square inch. Its steel cabin walls therefore are about 3 1/2 inches thick at their thinnest part.

Through thick cone-shaped plexiglas windows, one looking downwards and the other upwards, the pilot and his companion will be able to observe deep sea life lighted up by outside powerful searchlights.

Spheric Cabin

The spheric cabin, cubing 141 square feet, will contain several gadgets including a "dictaphone"

to avoid losing time in making notes.

Chemicals will keep the atmosphere breathable while batteries will command the instruments.

One window frame will be removable and used as an exit but it will open only when the submarine vessel is back on board the mother ship.

The spheric cabin will be topped by two motors to propel it over the ocean floor. The ship-shaped container to which the cabin will be attached will be filled with lightweight gas-oil, easiest and cheapest means to replace the too easily compressed helium.

Weighing 60 tons when fully loaded it will not be difficult for Piccard's submarine to be brought down to the bottom of the sea. One of the great problems the tall, white haired Professor had to face was, as in a balloon, how to carry necessary ballast and how to drop it.

This is how Piccard has solved that problem.

Electrical Control

Under the gas-oil container powerful electric magnets will attract pieces of ferro-concrete and iron filings as well as the heavy batteries commanding the machine. Release of the ballast will be electrically controlled from the cabin.

If by accident the electric power should be cut off, the ballast would be dropped and, because of the lighter than water gas-oil, the submersible would

be quickly brought to the sea's surface. The pilot will be able to control release of gas-oil to slow down a too speedy ascent.

Another of Piccard's problems was how to know whether the submersible is going up or down. This was solved by a small electric device composed of a propeller moved by the water flow. It will send radio signals to the cabin on up or down movements.

By favour of the British Admiralty, the Scaldia has been fitted with a short wave device by means of which the submersible will be in contact with the mothership.

Crossing A Bridge

When the Scaldia, carrying Piccard and a few scientists, geologists, and naturalists and biologists, nears the zero point in the Gulf, the bathyscaphe will be put on the sea by the mother ship's winches and its containers filled with gas-oil. The sub will then be dropped unmaneuvered, under control of a pressure device intended to bring it up again. If all goes well, Piccard and Cosyns will then go on board to be carried deep into the sea, to one place on the earth where no human being has ever been.

Piccard and Cosyns are now busy in Antwerp getting ready to realize, under the Belgian National Scientific Research Fund's sponsorship, the professor's 40-year dream.

Having radiographed every inch of his spheric cabin walls and tried its floats under high pressure to avoid any possible accident, the tall professor likes to compare, as far as risks are concerned, his expedition to a train crossing a bridge which has just been approved for a three or four times heavier load. "No one is afraid of crossing the bridge," he said.—Associated Press.

No Welcome On The Soviet Map

Washington, Oct. 1. Russia has refused to permit members of the US Senate Appropriation Committee to enter the Soviet Union to visit the American Embassy.

Senator Styles Bridges, Republican, said today that the committee asked for visas while on their European tour.

The Russian Foreign Ministry replied: "Inasmuch as the USSR is not considered a country that could be made the subject of an investigation on the part of the visiting Senators, we do not consider their trip to be suitable."

Bridges said: "The requests for visas specifically stated that the object of the trip was to inspect the operations of the American Embassy in Moscow." He added that a second request by the American Ambassador, Walter Bedell Smith, was also rejected.—Associated Press.

BARCLAY ON BRIDGE

By Shepard Barclay

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A LOSER ON A LOSER

One neat play seldom employed except by the very finest players consists of tossing a sure losing card on another sure losing card. By so doing, the declarer is sometimes able to score one trick that could be made in any other way, especially if the defender who wins that particular trick is then obliged to make a return which presents a gift trick to him. Ordinarily, when you see this play made, it is because the declarer has either a definite or a probable reading of the outstanding cards up to then unplayed.

SQ J 4 3
 HA 7 6 2
 D 10 9 5 4
 CA

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 HKQJ 9 4
 DI
 CK 9 7 4 2

SA 2
 H 4 3
 DAKQ 6 3 2
 CJ 5

(Dealer: South. Neither side vulnerable.)

South West North East
 ID 1H 18 2C
 3D 4C 3C
 3D 4C 3C
 6D 4H 3H

At first glance it looked like a hopeless cause to South when he saw the dummy. West's lead of the heart K had seemed to promise two quick winners in that suit for the defence. But the declarer found a way to pull through successfully.

CARNIVAL

By Dick Turner.



"Have him take the pink pills every three hours and the brown ones right after he gets my bill!"

Princess Elizabeth's Bridesmaids

Austere the wedding of Princess Elizabeth may be, but the selection of her bridesmaids leaves no doubt that public avidity for colour, style and beauty will be further satisfied by so much youthful charm and loveliness.

Counted among the eight who were chosen—the traditional number for a royal wedding—are some of the fairest girls of court and kingdom, most of them related to the ruling family, and all intimates of the bride-to-be.

Two are princesses, themselves, Margaret Rose, seven-year-old sister of Elizabeth, and Alexandra of Kent, ten years old, and the youngest in the array, for whom this will be her second time as a bride's attendant.

The choice of Princess Margaret to be chief bridesmaid was, of course, inevitable, for she stands next to her elder sister in succession to the throne. Less than a year from her own coming-of-age, Margaret is a decided favourite with people on all levels, her twinkling, humorous and ingratiating personality seldom failing to prompt applauding comment.

Innocent Mischief
 Princess Alexandra of Kent is a highly attractive child, roundish-faced, full of bounce, whose sense of innocent mischief at times outruns her strict instruction in the royal manner.

Eldest of the eight is Miss Diana Bowes-Lyon, twenty-four years old, daughter of the late Hon. Herbert Bowes-Lyon, second son of the 14th Earl of Strathmore, and a niece of Queen Elizabeth. A second niece

of the Queen also will serve—the Hon. Margaret Elphinstone, 22-year-old daughter of Lord Elphinstone, who married Her Majesty's eldest sister. Dark-haired and sparkling, she is one of Elizabeth's closest friends.

Like another of the bridesmaids—Lady Caroline Montagu-Douglas Scott—Margaret Elphinstone has often accompanied Princess Elizabeth and Princess Margaret to the theatre, and to dinner parties and dances in fashionable West End clubs and restaurants. Lady Caroline, 20, is the younger daughter of the Duke and Duchess of Buccleuch and a sister of the Duchess of Northumberland.

Supremo's Daughter
 Second youngest is Pamela Mountbatten, 18, daughter of Viscount and Viscountess Mountbatten and cousin of the bridegroom. She was a bridesmaid at the wedding of her sister, Patricia, to Lord Brabourne last Fall.

Seventh of the elect is Lady Mary Iona Margaret Cambridge, 23, daughter of the Marquess and Marchioness of Cambridge and a grand-niece of Queen Mary. With Princess Elizabeth, she was bridesmaid to the Duchess of Gloucester, and graced the Duchess of Kent's bridal procession.

Finally, there will be—Lady Elizabeth Lambard, 23, daughter of the late Earl of Cavan and Joan, Countess of Cavan, who was a lady-in-waiting to the Princess Royal for several years.

The announcement which came from Buckingham Palace, left two things open to speculation—the exact order in which the bridesmaids will walk at the wedding in Westminster Abbey on November 20th, and the colour and design of their gowns. The Lord Chamberlain's specialists in royal etiquette are determining their precedence. The patterns of the dresses will be kept secret, along with other details of Princess Elizabeth's gown and travelling costume, for some little time yet.—Associated Press.

Pilots' Strike

New York, Sept. 30. Planes of the American Overseas Airlines have been grounded by a strike of pilots which started this morning, according to Mr. David Bohneke, President of the Airline Pilots Association.

The company concerned operates a North Atlantic route to Shannon, London and various European points.

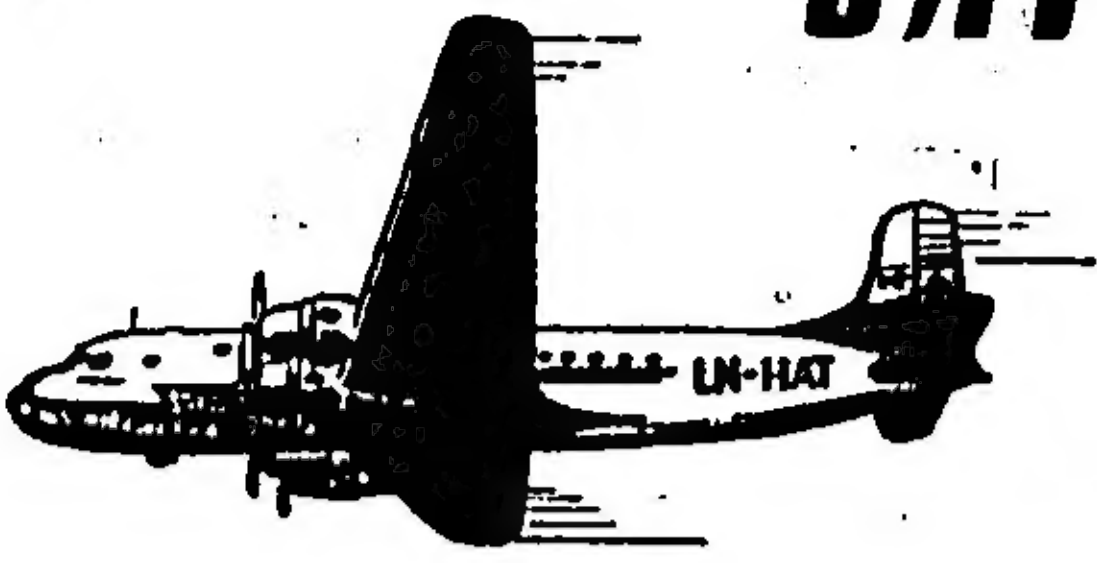
Mr. Bohneke said that the strike had been voted owing to the company's "strong arm" tactics in the negotiations for a renewal of the pilots' contracts.—Reuter.

TOP SECRET

Washington, Oct. 1. "Present predictions here are that the Wedemeyer report will not be published," an authoritative source said today.

The report to President Harry Truman with his findings and recommendations regarding China and Korea is a close secret. So far it has reached only the White House and the highest level of the State Department. Neither has been willing to comment.—Associated Press.

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BLUE SHIRTS IN PEIPING

Kuomintang Chief's Daughter Among Arrested

Sudden Swoop By "Statistics" Bureau

Peiping, Sept. 30.

The Government authorities today detained the daughter of an important Kuomintang member in a new series of arrests keyed by Mayor Ho Sze-yuan's warning of the existence of a Communist underground.

Following the detention of two key figures in Governor Sun Lien-chung's military administration, the Central Government police arrested four Peiping National University students, an unnamed bureau chief of the Peiping Municipal Council and Mrs. Yuan, daughter of Chen Pu-le, member of the State Council.

Mrs. Yuan's friends said her father is leaving Nanking for Peiping in an attempt to secure her release.

Chen was formerly Chiang Kai-shek's secretary. The girl was arrested, together with her husband, on suspicion of connection with a radio station which was closed earlier.

Also arrested were public utility employees for supplying current to a "Communist" transmitter.

The arrests, carried out by the "Military Bureau of Investigation and Statistics," are expected to continue.

Working in a conspiratorial atmosphere in which all visitors are screened, students plastered posters charging that the Kuomintang secret service has been a "new terror campaign."

An economics professor issued a written statement denying the arrests. He said, "You students know your rights. If this news is true, we must take a stand against it."

Outlets said the arrests, in addition to undermining the Hopei Governor's position, may develop into a Communist hunt directed against social liberals and other elements whose position is deemed by Nanking as too independent.—United Press.

Bertrand Russell's War Warning

Amsterdam, Oct. 1.

Bertrand Russell, British philosopher and mathematician, said on Tuesday that war between Russia and the United States is "inevitable," unless Russia accepts the American proposals for international control of the atom.

In a lecture at the University of Amsterdam, the Labour peer said that it was "highly probable" that Russia would accept the proposals, if the rest of the world insisted that she do so.

Later in the lecture, however, he referred to war as "very likely." He said: "If the issue were forced within the next year or two, only one side would have atomic bombs and the war might be so short as not to involve utter ruin."

The 74-year-old Earl said that there was hope for peace in the American atom control plan, because it would be an important step toward world government.—Associated Press.

Harvard Man Gives Britain A Shock

London, Sept. 30.

Britain recoiled in undisguised disgust today at the suggestion of a Harvard Professor that a large part of the British population emigrate while the nation cut itself from the Empire and lived within the Island's income.

Even Dr. Franklin Bicknell, prominent British dietician who created a furore a few months ago by declaring that Britain was dying from malnutrition, had no kind words for the Harvard sociologist, Dr. Pitirim Sorokin.

Knew Too Much?

Liverpool, England, Sept. 30.
After brewing beer for nearly 60 years, George Irving, Liverpool, refuses to drink tomorrow without having ever had a pint of his product to drink.

The only time Irving, who is 80 years old, touched beer was when he tasted it for testing purposes.—Reuter.

Shark Hunt Off Formosa

Shanghai, Sept. 30.

A giant two-and-a-half mile net will be stretched in Formosan waters by CNRRA fisheries rehabilitation administration which is carrying out China's first modern shark fishing expedition.

Sixty heavy linen nets supplied by UNRRA have been joined to form a single net supported by hollow glass floats and weighted by lead sinkers. The whole obstruction will be placed by the vessel Washington.

The sharks will be processed for livers, meat and fins.—United Press.

Pakistan's Pledge Of Goodwill

Flushing, Sept. 30.

Pakistan's chief delegate, Sir Mohammed Zafarullah, speaking in the United Nations Assembly on the occasion of his country being admitted to membership, pledged that Pakistan would do all within its power to bring about better understanding between nations.

Deploring false notions of racial superiority which in the past had bred war, Sir Mohammed said Pakistan would always endeavour to promote the widening of liberty and equality, beneficent cooperation and the widest and deepest tolerance, and added that his country was convinced that only through these means peace could be asserted.

"We are convinced that the United Nations offers to mankind its last chance of salvation in the political, economic and social fields and that our united efforts ought to be directed towards strengthening the organization and discovering means of making it work in the spirit in which it was founded and towards the achievement of the ideals which have been set up as its goal"—United Press.

Palestine Outrages

Jerusalem, Sept. 30.

While the Palestine police tonight continued their hunt for the terrorists who yesterday blasted Haifa's police headquarters with a tar barrel full of high explosives, killing 10 and injuring 54, two more outrages were reported, one in Jerusalem and one 20 miles from Haifa.

At the same time the authorities prepared to receive two more non-quota immigrant ships with—according to Jewish sources—3,850 refugees on board. The ships, the Paducah and the Northlands, were sighted in the Black Sea during the week-end, and were expected to reach Palestine territorial waters tonight.

Today's Jerusalem explosion, when bombs blasted an Arab shop near the Jaffa gate, was believed by the police to be the work of Arab terrorists to discourage Arabs from buying Jewish goods.

The other attack was on the Cairo-Haifa train, when a mine derailed two coaches. No casualties from either incident had been reported tonight.—Reuter.

NATIONAL UNITY

Beverly, Oct. 1.

Dr. Cyril Garbett, Archbishop of York today called upon British political parties to agree on measures "necessary to save the nation from economic catastrophe."

Dr. Garbett said harder work and national unity were essential and added, "Without coalition it ought to be possible for the leaders of the different parties to meet together and reach an agreement on the measures which they believe are necessary."—Associated Press.

Agreement Reached Under Duress

Teheran, Sept. 30.

An assertion that Persia's agreement with the Soviet Union for a joint exploitation of the northern oilfields was not binding was made in the Majlis (Parliament) today by a supporter of Ghammas Sultanah, the Persian Prime Minister who made the agreement.

"When the Prime Minister gave the undertaking, our country was in great danger and foreign troops were on Persian soil," the Deputy for Kurdistan, Farzollah Asad, declared.

The Premier's action was designed only to free Persia from the danger, and his undertaking was therefore not binding, he added.

The agreement to form a Russo-Persian oil company to exploit northern Persian oil was reached in April 1946, when the Russians were garrisoned in north Persia.

Mr. Sadchikov, the Russian Ambassador, has delivered two notes on behalf of the Soviet Government demanding immediate ratification of the treaty by the Persian Government and Parliament, but the treaty remains without ratification.

Last month, Mr. Sadchikov said that the consequences of a refusal to grant oil to Russia would be dangerous.—Reuter.

Verdun: But These Do Get Past

Paris, Sept. 30.

Four armoured cars with machine guns, heading a convoy of 143 French Army lorries, today broke through the barricades erected in Verdun by demonstrators resisting the transport of 400 tons of American sugar to the French Occupation Zone of Germany.

No one was injured in clashes between police and pickets put on watch at the barricades by the local Communist leaders.

The lorries, laden with the sugar, which had been unloaded from two barges on the River Meuse, were followed by a dozen jeeps filled with armed Republican security squads.

Their destination was believed to be Worms.

As the first lorries gathered speed on their way towards Germany, a crowd held back by troops and police from the departure point, howled in anger.

The transshipment of the sugar had been held up for several days owing to civilian claims that the sugar was intended for German consumption.

Mass meetings in protest were held during the weekend in which a principal figure was M. Andre Savard, the Communist deputy for the Meuse, who last night urged the demonstrators "lie down, if necessary, before the lorries to prevent them from passing."

Among the demonstrators were miners from Boulogny who went into the town after the clashes over the weekend between the police and civilians.—Reuter.

Shinwell Faces The Ladies!

Southport, Sept. 30.

Noisy interruptions greeted the Minister of Fuel, Mr. Emanuel Shinwell, when he addressed the 25th National Conference of Labour Women which opened here today in the presence of 800 women delegates from all parts of the country.

Half a dozen women, apparently members of the "Housewives League," which has been campaigning against the Government's austerity measures, gained access to the hall.

Their boos and catcalls and vehement protests and calls for order from delegates several times forced Mr. Shinwell to pause until order had been restored.

When he resumed the interruptions began.

Mr. Shinwell, in his speech, said responsibility for the present situation lay heavily on the shoulders of Liberals and Conservatives.—Reuter.

Egyptian Cholera Outbreak

Cairo, Sept. 30.

Dr. Negib Iskander, Pasha, Egypt's Minister of Public Health, said today that the latest official figures showed a "drop of nearly 50 percent in the number of suspected cases proving that the situation is now well in hand."

An announcement tonight said that 37 new deaths were reported, 70 new positive cases and 80 new suspected cases of cholera. The toll of casualties

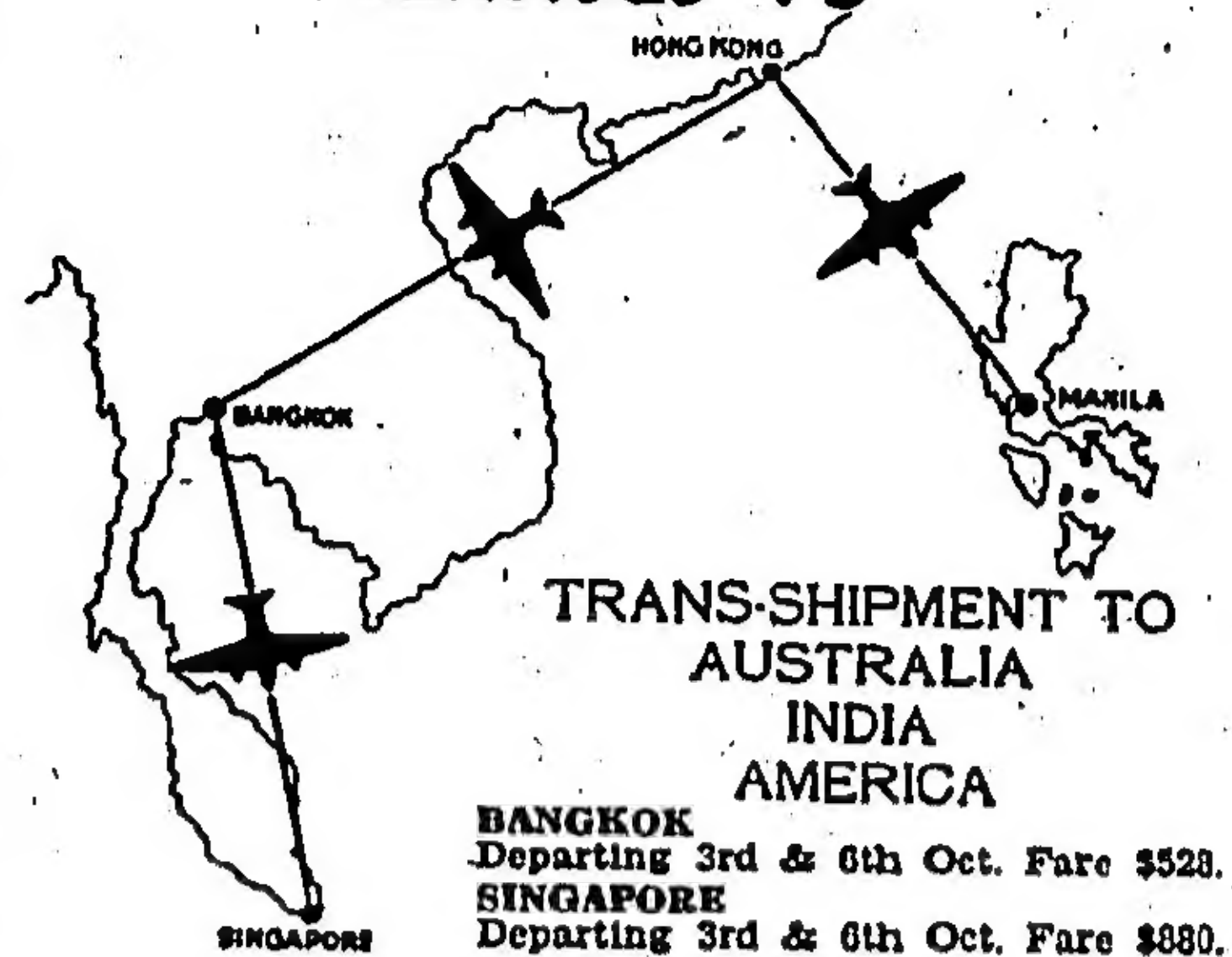
Flushing Meadows, New York, Sept. 30.

The Philippine delegation today submitted a resolution, for adoption by the General Assembly, to make Spanish the third working language of the United Nations, in addition to French and English.—Reuter.

rose to its highest level since the outbreak of the epidemic last Monday.—Reuter.

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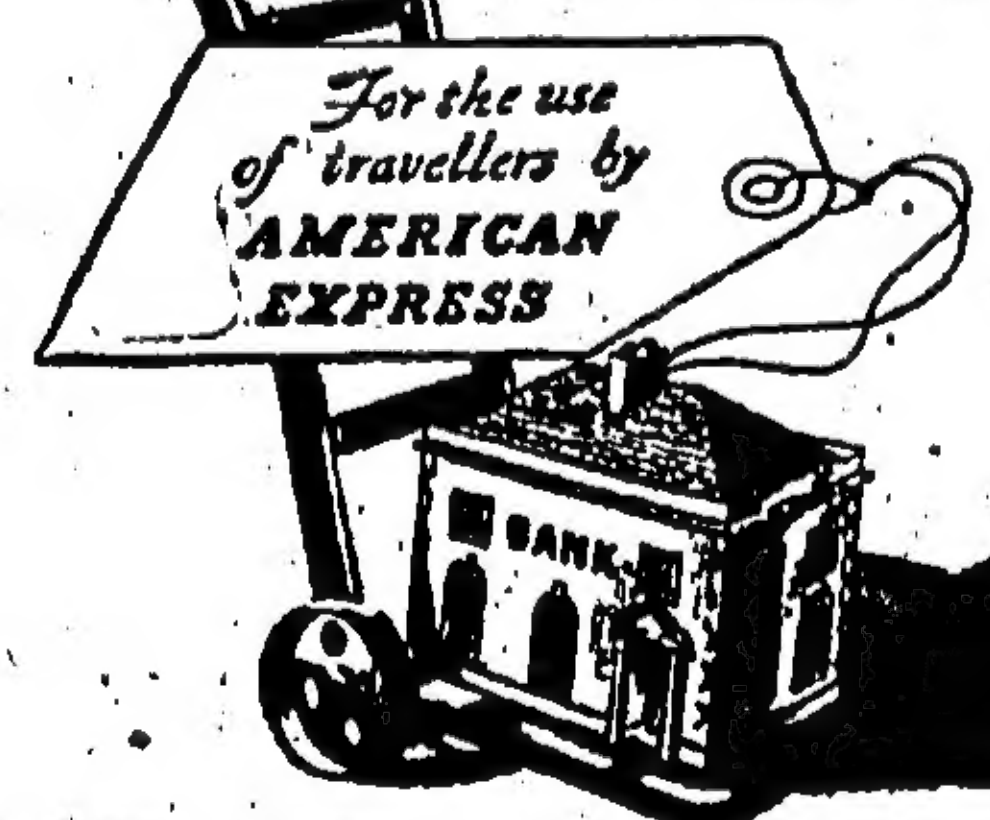
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ELECTRIC EQUIPMENT POPULAR AT HOME

Economy The Key-Note

Despite the calls for cutting down electricity consumption, British housewives may still buy electric kettles, boiling rings, hot plates, grills and wash boilers, electric irons, cookers and refrigerators without purchase tax.

The Chancellor of the Exchequer has taken off purchase tax ranging from 33-1/3 to 60-2/3 per cent, in response to appeals from British women's organizations. Cookers and refrigerators are hard to come by, but the other articles are in plentiful supply at present.

If women buy this new electrical equipment, however, good citizenship demands that they

ironing may be reduced to a minimum. Thermostatically controlled irons help to save current.

A normal three-plate kettle marked 1,000 watts should boil five or six times for one unit. "Don't boil ten cups if two will do." Many people still make the mistake of boiling more water than they need.

Although the average radio receiver only consumes one unit of electricity in 16 hours, that is the equivalent of a 60-watt lamp. Very few British people indulge in the 25-gallon pre-war bath. If this were heated by electricity it would consume four precious units, taking 10 gallons

By Melita Spraggs Of The "Christian Science Monitor"

comply with the urgent call for economy in their use. Every British housewife is "on her honour" to reduce her electricity consumption by one quarter compared with last year. At present she is free in the time of the day she thinks fit in best with her family arrangements.

The Electrical Association for Women, at its new headquarters, 35 Grosvenor Place, London, S.W. 1, has a full-time exhibit which shows how current economies may be made by thoughtful use of apparatus, concentrating on essentials and by giving the housewife the help she needs from electric labour-saving equipment.

A statutory order by the Minister of Fuel and Power bans all space heating by gas or electricity in residential premises until the end of September and prohibits space heating by all kinds of fuel in non-residential premises until the end of October.

Exemptions

Exemptions are made where heating is necessary for children under three and for old people over 70; where clothes can be dried in no other way; and where heating is necessary for an individual's health.

The Association tries to help people keep the "target" in the right perspective. Motor-driven appliances, they say, consume a minimum of electricity. The vacuum cleaner and the electric washer are not extravagant in current. The consumption of a vacuum cleaner is about one unit in four to eight hours.

Always empty the dust bag after two or three hours' use, they advise, and never leave the motor running when moving furniture about prior to cleaning underneath or behind heavy pieces.

An electric iron uses a unit of electricity in about two hours. "Don't do the job too often; let the mangle help you," they say. By first mangle sheets, tablecloths, towels, and all flat linen,

of water at 180° F. mixed with 15 gallons of cold water. The five-inch hot per person, which most people now have, takes 2 units of electricity.

The Toaster

In regard to the toaster, the Association has worked out that one morning's toast equals one week's vacuum cleaning in the average household. Toast should be regarded as a luxury; the Association says. The family should be willing to co-operate so that the electricity saved may be more usefully employed to help mother in the lab-saving jobs carried out by the washer and vacuum cleaner.

The saving which can be worked through changing of electric light bulbs to lower wattage where a bright light is not needed is shown by the following figures:

A 25-watt lamp gives light 40 hours for one unit; 40-watt, 25 hours; 60-watt, 16 hours; 100-watt, 10 hours.

Fluorescent lighting, which is rapidly becoming popular in the home, effects a considerable saving of electricity and gives excellent light for reading and sewing. The Association says. Charts are published telling people how to read their electricity meters in order to check up on their consumption.

Import licences are no longer granted for cars, taxis, motor vans, lorries or buses into India. Machinery and raw materials which India needs will, on the other hand, be allowed in licence-free.

Although the Hindustan Motors' Studebaker and Morris assembly works in Calcutta are coming on apace, it seems probable that there will be a long interim period before India is ready to go into large-scale automobile production on her own. The ban, if maintained, will mean serious transport difficulties in India for the next few years.

Polythene was discovered through a programme of fundamental scientific research undertaken by I.C.I.'s Alkali Division. This work was unrelated to any processes then being operated, and has directed purely to broadening the field of knowledge of the mechanism of chemical reactions under extreme physical conditions.

Early experimental work on high pressures was carried out by the French scientist Amagat over half a century ago. Brunner, Mond & Co. (the parents of I.C.I.'s Alkali Division) became interested after the first World War through contact with Prof. A.M.J.F. Michels of Amsterdam University. Several of Brunner Mond's staff worked with Prof. Michels, who was doing a great variety of work on high pressures and he frequently visited their laboratories at Winnington, Cheshire. From this collaboration grew I.C.I.'s decision to undertake research on the effect of extremely high pressures (from 15,000 to 300,000 lb.) on certain chemical reactions.

Despite the world depression, this project was embarked upon in 1930. Work started in 1931, and over a year was spent developing the technique of making and handling the laboratory apparatus. The chemical studies began a year later. The first period was one of great disappointment and it was not until 1933 that anything novel was found. Early that year, when carrying out a series of reactions involving ethylene—the reactive gas well-known to organic chemists—a trace of a white solid was found in the reaction vessel. This was "Polythene," a solid polymer of ethylene.

Setbacks

Another two years elapsed before improved technique for dealing with the enormous pressures, and larger and more efficient apparatus, made a systematic study of this entirely new material possible. Almost immediately, a whole series of setbacks were encountered. Attempts to repeat initial experiments resulted in violent and inexplicable explosions in the reaction vessels. There was a constant danger of the apparatus being wrecked. On one occasion the laboratory was, in fact, badly damaged.

Polythene, discovered in 1933 by research workers of I.C.I., is a general term for a range of solid polymers produced by subjecting ethylene gas to very high pressures. It has outstandingly good electrical insulating properties. First produced towards the end of 1939, polythene immediately became of vital importance as an insulator for radiolocalisation or "radar." While radar—another triumph of British wartime inventiveness—would not doubt have been developed without polythene, it is equally certain that it could not have done so with such rapidity as it did. Today, polythene is employed all over the world in the manufacture of telecommunication and submarine cables, and is also finding a variety of applications, ranging from chemical plant components to lampshades.

At length, however, through studying the reaction conditions and paying particular attention to the purity of the ethylene gas, the process was brought under control. By 1938, important advances had been achieved, and the first beginnings were made towards devising a continuous process of manufacture, which was essential if an ultra-high-pressure process was to be a practical proposition.

Development was not easy. Work at pressures above 15,000 lb. per square inch made it necessary to design novel gas compressors, joints, valves, tubing, reaction vessels and similar equipment. The pressures were similar to those occurring in a gun on the explosion of the charge, the technique used in the manufacture of artillery was adopted.

The many difficulties were finally overcome, mainly by devoted team-work, and in 1937 continuous running of a small pilot plant in the laboratory was achieved. The following year saw the construction of a proper pilot plant unit, capable of demonstrating the basic ideas of a full-scale manufacturing process.

Properties

During this period of technical development, a study was also being made of the properties of this wholly novel product. Its outstanding electrical characteristics—great toughness, flexibility, lightness and water resistance—augured a promising future in electrical engineering.

In 1938 contact was made with the Telegraph Construction & Maintenance Co., who had many years' experience in the processing of gutta-percha, particularly for under-sea cables. They were quick to realise the possibilities of polythene and adapted some of their machinery to the new material.

An experimental length of submarine cable was made at the end of 1939, and a mile length in 1939. Even at this early, imperfect stage, great interest was shown by the British Post Office. Further experience indicated that polythene was not only promising for telephone and telegraph cables, but also for high-frequency cables, especially in television. The decision to double the capacity of the plant had been taken even before it started.

The first ton of polythene from the full-scale unit was used in experimental work with radiolocalisation or radar, which had been developed during the same period. The outbreak of war brought the two inventions together. Although, in early 1940, polythene was mainly being developed for the insulation of special submarine cables, by the time of Dunkirk, when the second unit of the original plant came into operation, the bulk of the output had already been directed to the manufacture of radar cables.

To quote Sir Robert Watson-Watt, F.R.S., the pioneer of radar, polythene "transformed the problems presented by airborne radar from the almost insoluble to the comfortably manageable," and "played an indispensable part in the long series of victories in the air, on the sea and on the land, which were made possible by radar."

New Plant

To assure supplies, an entirely new plant was designed. In 1940 and came into production in 1942. A continuously rising output was

maintained, even though operating difficulties were still not entirely overcome.

Meanwhile, in 1940, I.C.I. had shipped polythene to America. It was processed by the Du Pont Company, and a cable made by the Western Electric Company was laid on a section of the Bell Telephone Company's trunk telephone lines. The United States had also experienced difficulties over the insulating of radar cables, and in 1941 it was decided to standardise polythene. Accordingly, an American delegation visited I.C.I. and were given full information about manufacture. Production started in America in 1942.

Polythene's war-time contribution to radar overshadowed everything else, but it had other important uses, as sleeving in radio equipment, in the fuses of rocket shells, and as strip or transparent film, for packing the anti-malarial mosquito-netting. This sensitive device had tended to deteriorate in the hot damp climates of the malarious battle areas to which it was sent. It was found, however, that polythene packs kept it in perfect condition even when it was actually immersed in water.

With the end of the war, polythene once more became important in the field of telecommunication.

A Solid

Polythene may be described as a solid comprising a large number of ethylene units, 500 or more, linked together under the combination of extreme pressure, temperature and a catalyst. Ethylene can be produced in two ways: from alcohol via molasses by catalytic dehydration, and also from petroleum cracking gases. The ethylene is purified with the utmost care, and then carefully and accurately mixed with oxygen in a very small concentration. The mixture is compressed in two main stages to 1,200 atmospheres and finally enters the reaction vessel at 200°C.

During the polymerisation a considerable amount of heat is developed and the removal of this has been the subject of ingenious design in the manufacturing plants. The liquid polythene emerges from the reaction vessel in the form of a pulchid stream. It is then cast into black sheets. The ethylene, I.C.I.'s brand of polythene is a tough, waxy-looking material—normally white, though sometimes slightly grey or pink—made in the form of sheets, rods and granules or chips.

It has a remarkable combination of insulating properties: great dielectric strength, great toughness and flexibility, lightness and extreme water resistance. Chemically, it is very inert and is usually only attacked by acids or alkalis at high temperatures. It is thermoplastic and can be extruded or moulded by compression or injection. No special tools are needed for machining or welding. Its tensile strength falls with increasing temperature and it melts sharply at about 115°C, the yield point being reached at about 90°C. The generic name polythene covers a whole range of products with gradations in properties, and I.C.I. manufacture various grades of "Alkathene" suited to the performance required of the finished article. Hard grades are less liable to attack by chemical reagents than the soft, which are easier to process.

"Alkathene's" outstanding combination of electrical properties makes it very valuable for all types of electrical equipment—e.g. for solid insulated and air-spaced high-frequency cables where the power loss is required to be as small as possible, and for submarine and power cables. Other

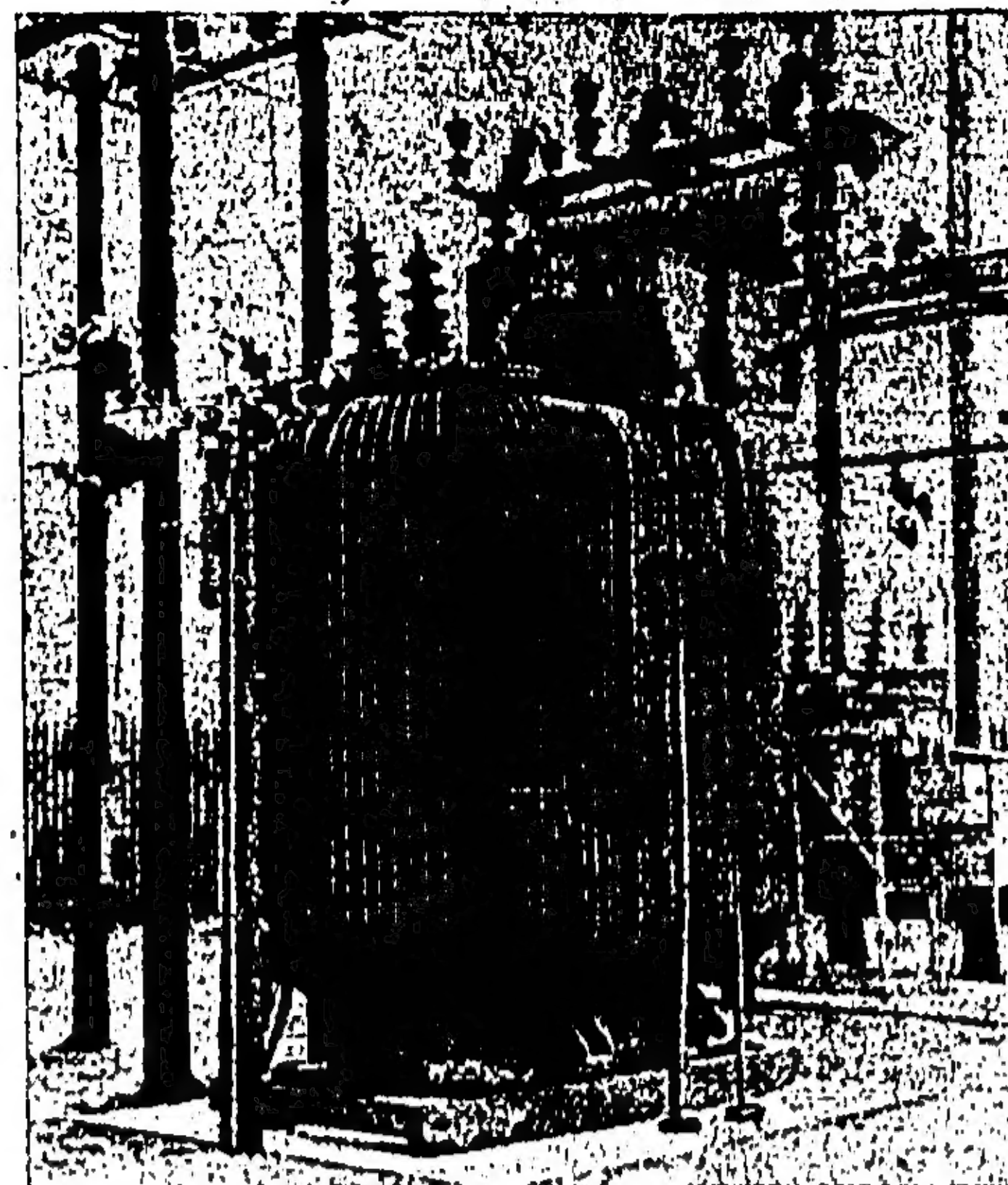


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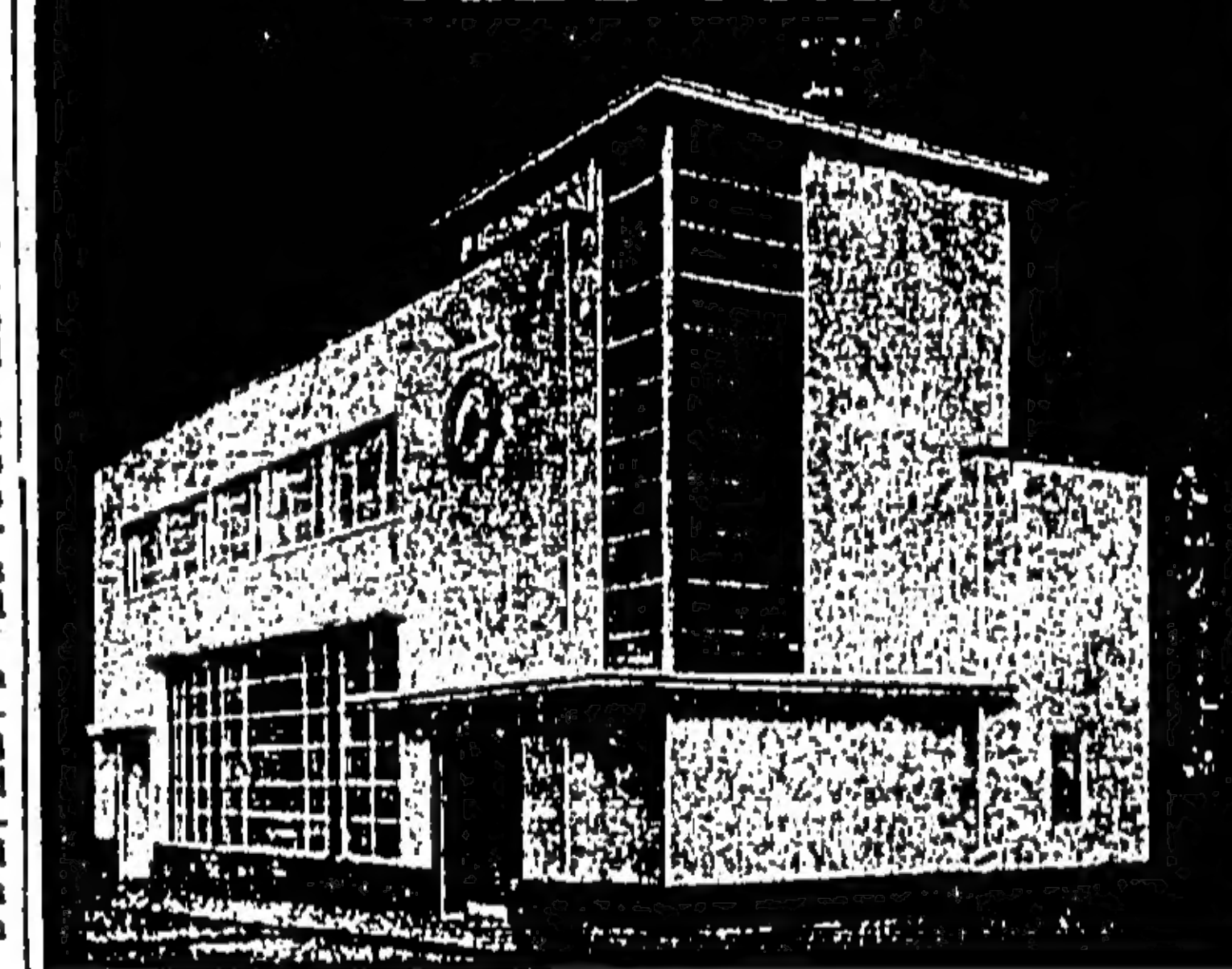


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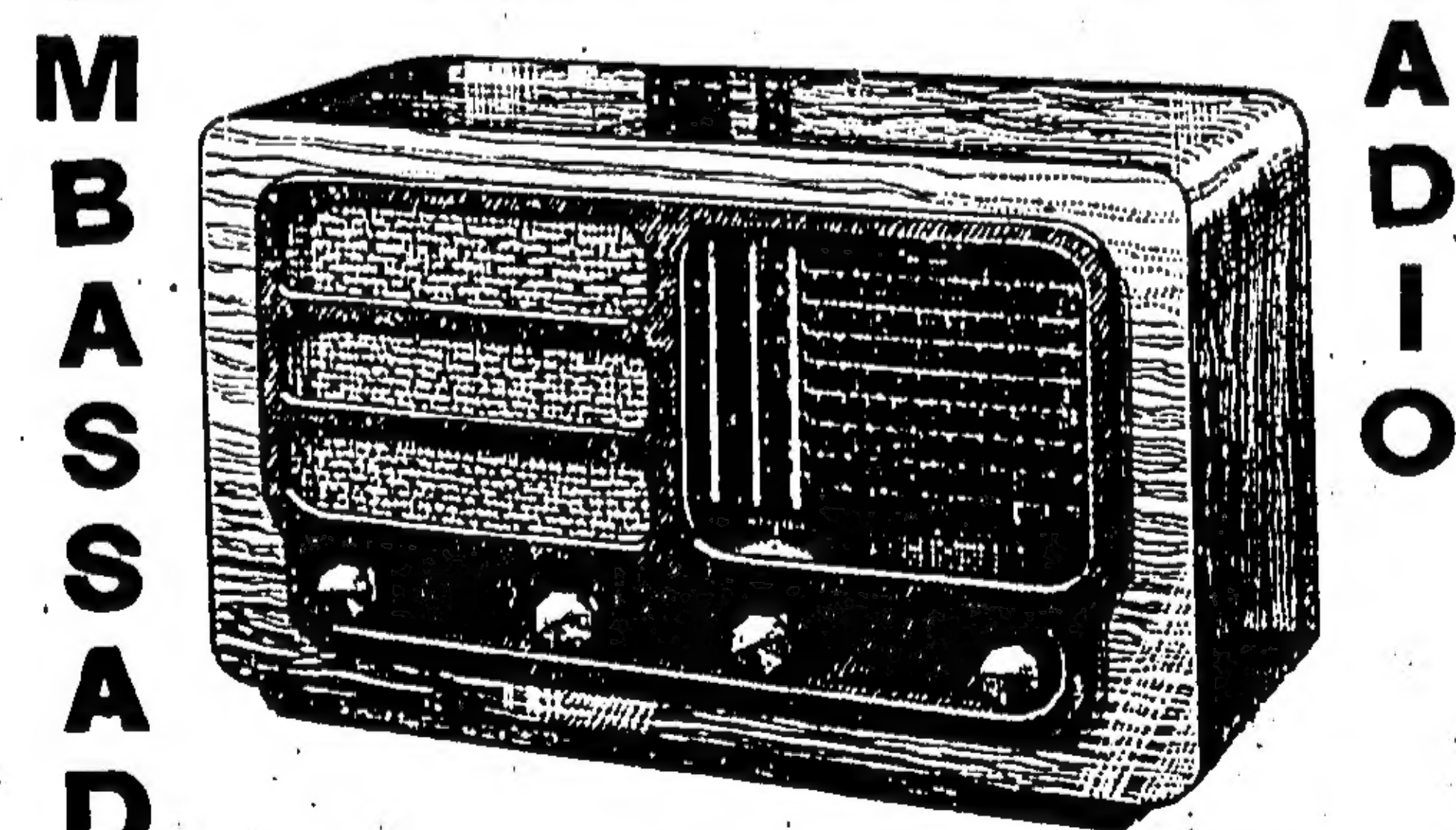
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Solving The Fire Risk Problem On Board Ship

British research workers at the Admiralty chemical department have been busy recently with research into methods of reducing the fire risk on ships, arising from paints and other materials used in them.

Dried paint films on an organic base can be a powerful factor in transmitting fire, which can be propagated from one compartment to another by means of the paint film on the bulkhead between them.

Certain paint types, when raised to a sufficiently high temperature, blister and form pockets of inflammable vapours. These vapours arise from the partial decomposition of the organic paint medium in the interior of the paint layer. The blisters finally burst, emitting jets of hot gas which ignite spontaneously and burn vigorously, transmitting the fire to any combustible material within reach.

As a result of research it has been established that there are paints of good and bad fire-resistance. Since a paint based on an organic medium can never be entirely incombustible, however, the investigation of paints based on inorganic media was a logical step in the investigation.

Silicon ester paint has been found to be the most satisfactory material. The problem to be solved in connection with silicon ester paints is that they show a gradual increase in viscosity. This, however, may be overcome and results achieved so far are encouraging.

Admiralty research workers are also paying attention to the reduction of the inflammability of the many textile fabrics to be found on board ship. A certain amount of fireproofing was carried out on ships by impregnation with water-soluble materials, borax-boric acid mixtures being preferred; reproofing after washing is necessary.

There is no simple method of producing an adequate water-resistant fireproofing treatment by deposition of insoluble inorganic materials in the fibres. The problem, however, is very important as a water-resistant fireproofing treatment is essential for materials such as ship's awnings, and boat covers, which are exposed to the weather.

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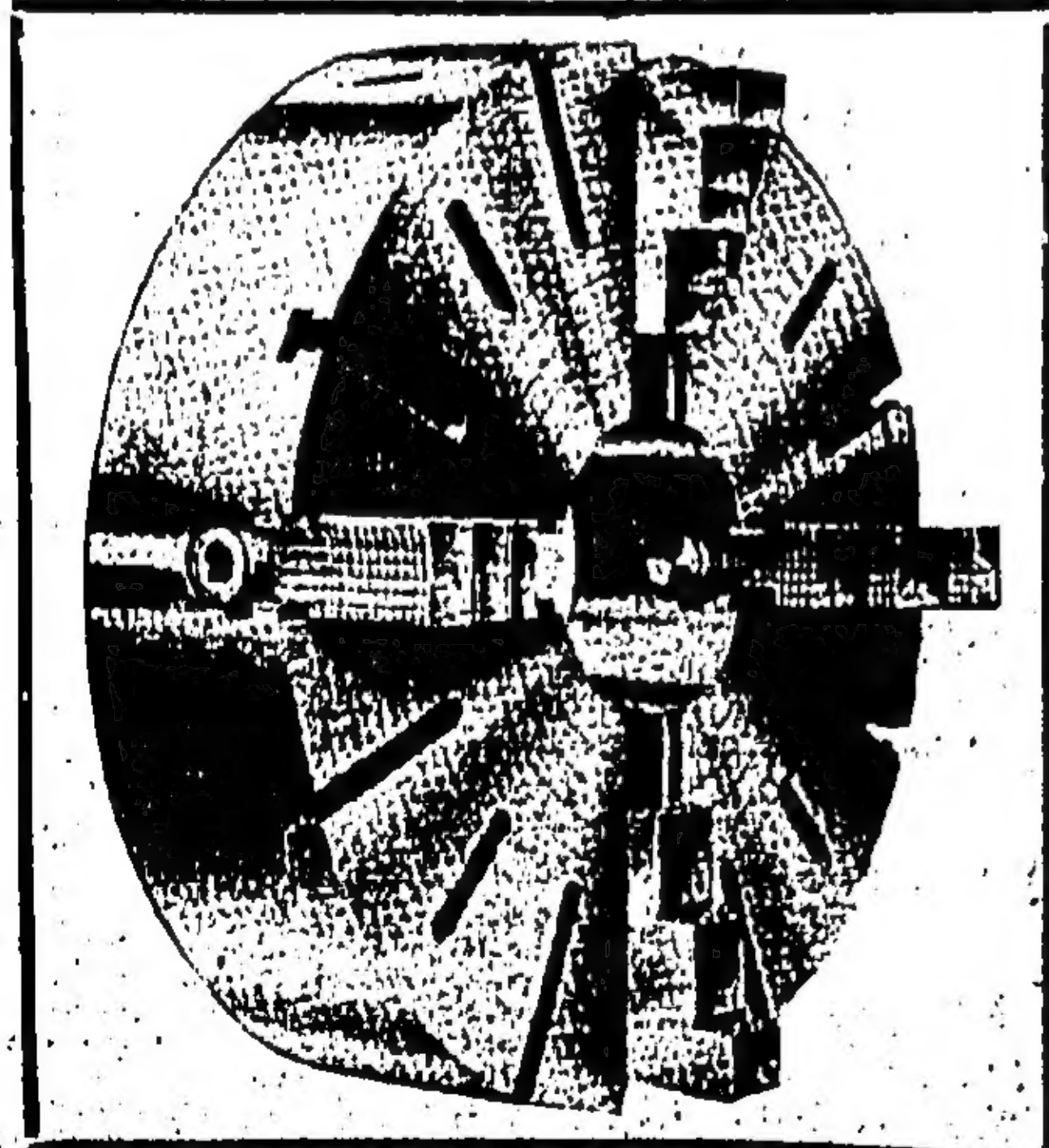
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POWER TRANSFORMERS

Mechanical Problems Of Vital Importance

A list of the products of the English Electric Co. Ltd. reads almost like a concise description of the electrical industry as a whole, ranging as it does all the way from generating plant for steam, water or oil power via the field of electric traction and transmission to domestic and allied appliances.

One of their main products is, of course, the Transformer, sub-divided into its minor categories of distribution transformers, power transformers, booster transformers, and so on. Of these, perhaps the "English Electric" power transformer is the most important.

These have been built for outputs up to 50,000 kVA, and for service at all pressures up to 132 kV; the fine service they have given has placed the company in the front rank of the world's transformer manufacturers. Particular attention has been paid to mechanical problems, (which are of such vital importance in larger transformers) as well as to thermal and electrical considerations.

In addition to transformers for Power Station and Sub-Station service, "English Electric" also build large transformers for special applications, including those for Mercury Arc Rectifiers and Electric Arc Furnaces.

Core-type construction with circular coils is adopted as the standard design, but special designs are, of course, used for special applications. On-load tap-changing gear can be provided on power transformers of any size, and for service at any voltage.

Types Of Coils

Various types of coils are used, the most suitable being selected for the service required, having regard to all the technical requirements including current, voltage, tapping range and resistance. In all cases careful attention is given to the mechanical strength of the completed winding, and this is co-ordinated with the thermal and electrical considerations involved.

Distribution transformers, while not always so vital to the maintenance of electricity supply as Power transformers, merit equal consideration with the larger sizes in design and manufacture. "English Electric" oil-immersed core-type distribution transformers, totalling some millions of kVA, are operating successfully throughout the world.

One of the most interesting developments is the Flameproof lighting transformer, devised to meet the increasing demand for safe lighting equipment from all industries in which inflammable gases or vapours occur—notably the mining and petroleum industries—and those where cellulose solvents are employed.

The equipment complies with BSS No. 171/1936 (Transformers) and 229/1929 (Flameproof Enclosures) and has been tested at the Buxton testing station of the Mines Dept. of the Board of Trade. The unit is certified for use in inflammable atmospheres containing gases in both Group I (Methane) and Group II (Petroleum and Acetone Vapours), and conforms in all respects with the latest Home Office Regulations and the Coal Mines Regulation Act, 1911.

Despatch

Jardine Engineering Corporation are the local agents for English Electric. In the matter of despatch, it should be noted that whenever possible (even for shipment overseas) the transformer is despatched complete with oil, or with sufficient oil to cover the windings. In the latter instance, the tank must be filled up to the correct level with dry oil after arrival on the site and, without further treatment, is then ready for service.

If it cannot be shipped with its windings immersed in oil, the tank is filled with dry air under pressure, avoiding the necessity for drying out on the site. The result is that when the tank is filled to its proper level, the transformer is ready for service.

DEVELOPING THE PHILIPPINES

A planned US\$1,588,000,000 programme of industrial expansion for the Philippine Republic during the next 15 years to give the young republic an outlet into Asia's vast markets has been recommended to President Roxas by the H.E. Beyster Corp, reports A.P. from Manila.

The Detroit firm of consulting engineers in a 162-page report surveys Philippine resources and industrial potentials, and outlines a programme of industrialisation—ranging from iron, steel and copper mills to chemicals, textile mills and such supplementary projects as the manufacture of paper bags.

The Beyster Corp. points out that as America is faced with the "gigantic task of meeting domestic and world material demands, it will be some time before American capital will take advantage of the equal rights granted it by the Republic's parity agreement."

The Beyster report continues that if Japanese industrial economy is restricted to a level designed to maintain a small portion of foreign trade, the islands "can essentially establish an industrial system with an aim of exporting to markets formerly enjoyed by the Japanese."

Eight Years

The consulting engineers think—this may be accomplished within eight years and warn that the highest peak of Philippine industrial efficiency will have to be reached in order to maintain its markets by that time, when industries in Japan, China, Australia and other countries will have been revived.

The report also recommends the creation of a National Economic Council to remove the National Development Company (an existing agency) and all other Government business ventures from political control. This council should have power to licence industries, the report urges, but unless a clearly defined statement of Government policy is made as to the protection and aid to be afforded to all new ventures, it will be difficult to interest the necessary capital.

The establishment of an iron and steel industry is termed a vital necessity for the healthy industrial and economic development of the Philippines.

Iron-ore deposits in the Surigao Island of Mindanao (one of the largest in the world) contain at least 1,000,000,000 tons of low grade ore. A new coking process with power from the Maria Cristina Falls project on the Agus River, Mindanao, could render the Philippine coal usable.

Other recommended new industries are:—

Ammonium sulphate, soda ash and caustic soda, sulphuric acid, agricultural implements (principally simple plows), salt production, pulp and paper from the huge Philippine timber resources, and shipyards.

The report proposes that the bulk of the new industries be mainly private capital ventures other than in fields in which the government will participate when private capital does not assume the full risk.—Associated Press.

Oil-Burning Life Boats

Britain is building a fleet of 80 new oil-burning lifeboats. This important addition to her marine lifesaving services will cost £1,000,000. Eighteen of these new craft are already well on the way to completion. All are being equipped with the most up-to-date wireless apparatus.

All single-engine boats are being replaced by double-engine craft with twin screws. These will have twice the range of which the older types are capable. An interesting innovation to be used in a special voice amplifier which proved very successful during the war. This will carry sound over a distance of three miles.

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SOUTH CHINA BEATS R.A.F. BY 3 TO 1 Devons Topple Navy To Score Second Win

The three First Division football games yesterday produced better football than last week-end. South China, strengthened by several of last year's stalwarts, beat Royal Air Force by three goals to one, while at Sookimpoo Devons win their second game when they beat Navy by the same score. At Boundary Road Kowloon Bus registered a lucky win against St. Joseph's who in the closing minutes missed two good opportunities to equalise.

South China—R.A.F.

Strengthened by the inclusion of Chan Tak-fai and Lam Yuen-shun, two of their last year's stalwarts, South China beat R.A.F. by 3 goals to 1.

R.A.F. were on the offensive from the start and scored early when a hard drive by Daynes was deflected by a South China defender into his own goal.

South China were on the defensive for the greater part of the first period, but about two minutes from half time, Chan Tak-fai equalised.

From the re-start, South China took up the running. South China went ahead when Chan Tak-fai sent in a fine drive which Knucey failed to hold.

A misunderstanding between the R.A.F. defenders resulted in Lau Sik-wa breaking through to put South China three up.

The teams were:—

R.A.F.: Knucey, Adams, Butler, Hamilton, Anderson, Burns, Daynes, Murrell, Sewell, Davies and King.

South China: Chu Wing-kwong, Lam Yuen-shun, Yuen Pui-man, Li Shue-keung, Chan Tak-fai, Mok Yuen-shing, Chik Wai, Li Yik-tai, Chan Tak-fai, Tong Sheng and Lau Sik-wa.

Devons—Navy

Devons notched another two points at the expense of Navy, whom they beat by 3 goals to 1 in a fast and interesting fixture at Sookimpoo.

Devons were definitely fortunate to have won. If the Navy had a more virile attack, it is quite on the cards that they would have left the field with both points.

Highlight of the game was the brilliant goal-keeping of Thompson in the Navy goal.

Except for occasional break-aways, the Navy were kept penned in their own half of the field throughout the first half. Devons did everything but get the ball past Thompson, who was saving shots from all angles.

Play opened evenly after the resumption.

Rafferty equalized the score when gathering up a loose ball, after a solo dash down the centre of the field, he flashed a hard ground shot into the lower right hand corner of the net.

Stung by this sudden reverse, Devons went all out.

The Navy defence, which had been subjected to a gruelling time, gradually weakened and Lam, picked up a pass, ran through to score with a pile driver into the top of the net which gave Thompson no chance.

Shortly afterwards, Lam again scored when he trapped

Results At A Glance

FIRST DIVISION

St. Joseph's 1 K. Motor Bus 2
Devons 3 Royal Navy 1
South China 3 Royal Air Force 1

the ball into the net from close range with Thompson unsighted.

Devons: Dixon, Cox, Smith, Mason, Barr, Pyle, Hammond, Pittman, Lunn, Ross and Jinks.

Navy: Thompson, Young, Gossins, Corbett, Evans, Rixon, Kingsley, Peterson, Rafferty, Anton and Nash.

St. Joseph's—K.M.B.

St. Joseph's were definitely unlucky to lose both points to Kowloon Motor Bus in their first division encounter at Boundary Road.

Had their forwards taken the many chances offered them, they would have won comfortably.

St. Joseph's fielded the same team which beat Eastern on Sunday, but the team did not give the same spirited display. Many of their forwards taking a long time to settle down.

It was only late in the second half that they displayed their true form.

The game revealed that St. Joseph's have a set of very versatile young players.

Cruz showed that he was equally at home at centre forward as on the right wing.

Castillo gave a good display as full back and Omar and Pereira did well in their new positions as inside left and centre forward.

In the opening minutes of the second half Saints almost drew level through good efforts by Omar and Pereira but a break-away found the Saints defence spread and a centre from Tang Yee-kit enabled Chang Chung-kin to increase the lead.

Not long after M. Xavier missed a golden opportunity when he mis-kicked with an open goal in front. Several good efforts by Omar and Pereira gave Sun-Po-ho a score.

St. Joseph's reduced the lead through Pereira from a free kick by Omar and shortly after Pereira missed when well placed.

A good run down the wing Cruz nearly resulted in the player scoring but he was robbed by the goalkeeper in the last moment.

The team were:—
Kowloon Motor Bus: Poon, Mal, Shiu-bun and Lee. Tse, Sun, Tam, Kwan, and Lee. Tse, Sun, Tam, Kwan, and Lee. Tse, Sun, Tam, Kwan, and Lee.

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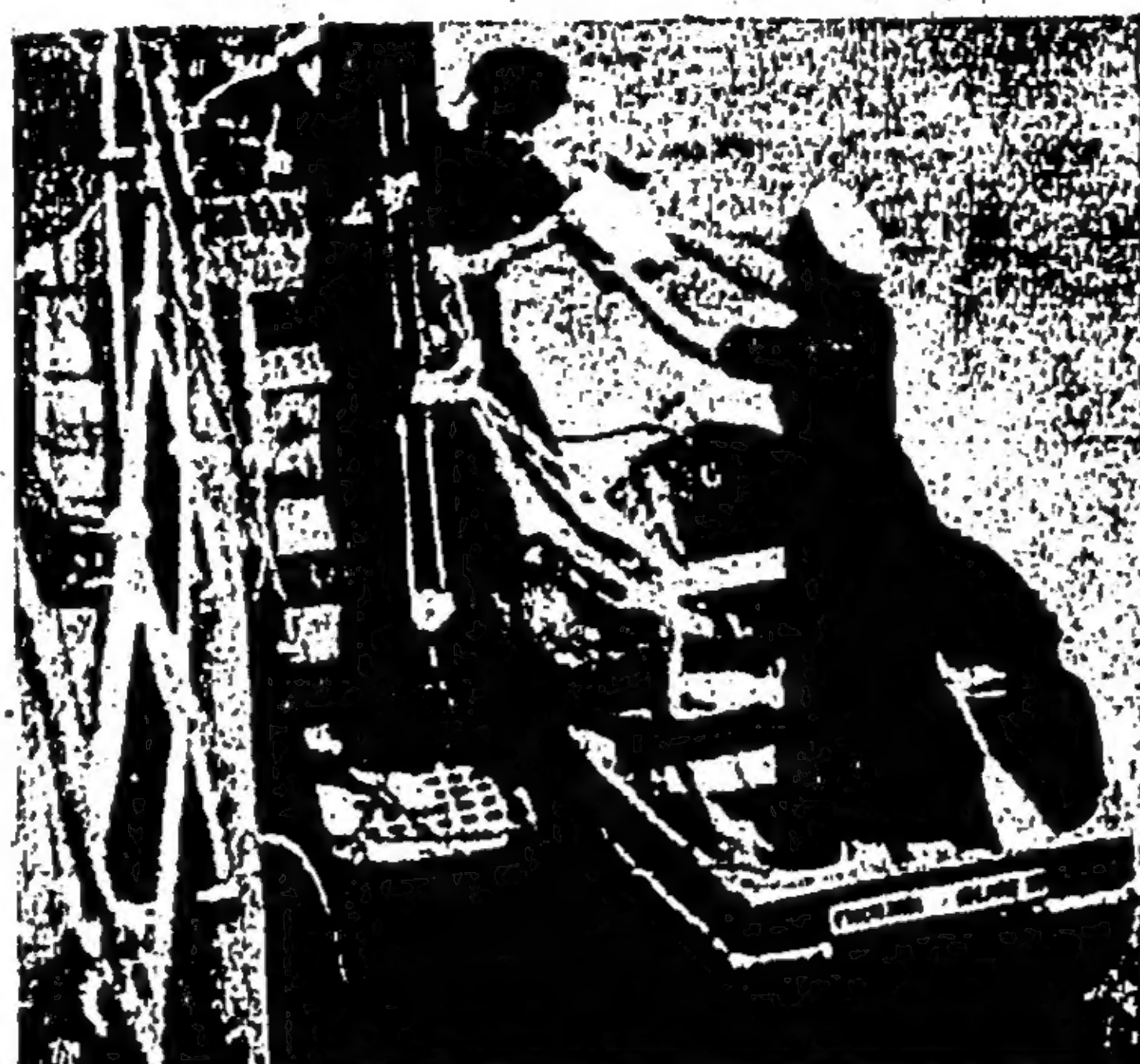
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OCEAN-GOING



England's first training ship for girls, the "English Rose" in Poole Harbour. The 32-ton yacht "English Rose" moored in Poole Harbour, has become the first training ship for the Girls' Nautical Training Corps. Sections of the Corps, from all over the country, are to spend a week at a time aboard. They will receive sea training under Commander G.L.A. Woodard, R.N. Already a detachment has tried out its sea-legs when, under Commander Woodard and officers of the Corps, the "English Rose" was brought round from the Essex coast in a stiff gale.

Britain Out Of Stop-Gap Aid Plan

London, Sept. 30.

Official circles here were neither surprised nor disappointed today at President Truman's decision not to include Britain in his "stop-gap aid" programme for Europe. Reuter was informed authoritatively.

"Britain's own programme for economic recovery has entirely to discount any new United States financial aid," a Treasury spokesman said.

"We are not even counting on any help on the Marshall plan. Such help may not become available next spring, but our decision to bridge our £600,000,000 balance of payments gap has been made on the assumption that Britain would have to live by her own efforts from now on."

Although the official plans are that Britain herself should be able to live on her own resources, they do not mean that Germany should live on them too, authoritative sources said.

Next week's Washington discussions on Britain's future share in the dollar cost of Germany will, therefore, have a crucial bearing on whether Britain's present "dollar budget" proves accurate or not, it was added.

According to these sources, Britain's intention is to spend no more dollars on Germany after the present appropriation ends.

This appropriation was meant to last until the end of the financial year in April, 1948, but will run out before the end of this year.

French Anxiety

Paris, Sept. 30.

The French Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bidault, who is in the United States for the meeting of the United Nations General Assembly, is to visit President Truman in Washington tomorrow, it is learned here.

The outcome is awaited with great anxiety in France, where the stock of dollars to pay for vital imports will be practically at an end in the next two or three weeks.

President Truman's intention of leaving the decisions of immediate stop-gap aid to Congress has come as a disappointment here, and has created pessimism about the chances of aid coming in time to prevent a radical worsening of economic conditions, with the attendant political consequences, observers here said.

Reuter.

SOCCER FIXTURES

The following is the week-end soccer programme:—

Saturday, Oct. 4

FIRST DIVISION

Klucey v. Devons (Navy, 5 p.m.)
Referee: L.G. Young.
Linesmen: Cpl. Manson/Sgt. Doyle.
Police v. K.M. Bus (Police, 5 p.m.)
Referee: J.G. Padley.
Linesmen: L.Cpl. Pierce/GMSI Tamlyn.

Club v. R.A.F. (Club, 5 p.m.)
Referee: K.K. In.
Linesmen: Willis/Pte. Sheen.
Innings v. Sing Tao (Postponed).

South China v. Navy (Caroline Hill, 5 p.m.)
Referee: A.J.S. Farmer.
R.A.O.C. v. Klucey (Navy, 5 p.m.)
Referee: Cpl. Manson.
K.M. Bus v. Dockyard (Police, 5 p.m.)
Referee: J.P. Silva.

SECOND DIVISION "A"
R.A. v. Club (Club, 5 p.m.)
Referee: A.P. Willis.
Sing Tao v. Sing Tao (Postponed).

SECOND DIVISION "B"
R.A.S.C. v. C. Cadre (Happy Valley, 5 p.m.)
Referee: Sgt. Doyle.
H.K. Electric v. R.A.M.C. (Navy, 5 p.m.)
Referee: E.J. Nichol.
R.E.M.E. v. South China (Caroline Hill, 5 p.m.)
Referee: F.A. Barrett.

BOWLS

The following will represent the Kowloon Cricket Club in a friendly lawn bowls game against Indian Recreation Club on Saturday at K.C.C. starting at 3.30 p.m.

Geo. Lee, J. Chubb, A. E. P. Oest and T. A. Madar (skip).
V. C. Labrum, S. A. Gray, A. L. G. Estlin and J. Frank (skip).

A. C. Tribble, C. Champ, V. J. Torrey and J. Orest (skip).
W. G. Gurnea, A. Stevens, J. Lock and M. J. R. (skip).

World 'Not Fooled' By U.S. Speeches Says Wallace

Boston, Sept. 30.

The former Vice-President, Henry Wallace, today said the peoples of Asia and Europe were "not fooled" by United States foreign policy for which, he charged, "every propaganda technique known to man is being used" to win popular support.

In a speech here, Mr. Wallace assailed "basically rotten policies" and continued, "It is quite obviously not official concern with civil liberties that troubles the men who direct our foreign policy—even if that is the banner under which they would be mobilized."

V.R.C. Races Drew Crowd

By "Natator"

"All the world loves a champion" has been a saying for some time past, and never was it more evident than last Tuesday at the V.R.C. when a capacity crowd applauded champion after champion as they went all out to lower every record on the programme for that evening. In an aquatic display unprecedented in local swimming annals.

Spectators, competitors and coaches alike, have every reason to be satisfied with the exhibitions as name after name was added to the Roll of Honour, and in this spirit we enter the Third Day of the 4-day Classic commencing this evening at 6.15 p.m. with a programme including no less than 7 Championship events, climaxing with the Ladies 4 x 50 yards free-style relay.

The introduction of awarding points for events, based on the American National A.A.U. system of 5-3-2-1, has given the current series greater interest. At the moment V.R.C. are leading with an aggregate total of 89 points followed by Lal Tsun and Eastern with 36 and 18 respectively. Although Lal Tsun was considered an all-round threat, they have not been able to keep up with V.R.C.'s record-shattering pace, especially in the Ladies' section.

It was a great pity that Lal Tsun withdrew the ladies team from the 3 x 50 medley relay last Tuesday at the last minute owing to an indisposition of one of the key members of the team, but it is hoped that they will be able to turn out a full side, for prestige sake, when they meet the V.R.C. in the 4 x 50 free-style relay, in final show-down.

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Huge Blaze In Nanchang

Nanking, Oct. 1.

Damage amounting to over 10,000,000 Chinese dollars (about £200,000) was caused by a huge fire in Nanchang, Kiangsi Provincial capital, in southeast China, during the mid-autumn festival last Monday when a huge blaze gutted blocks of houses before being quelled, the Chinese press reported here today.

The Kiangsi Provincial Government has appropriated CNY150,000,000 for the relief of homeless people.

The large Yangtze port of Kiangling is also reported to have suffered severe losses when a fire destroyed over a hundred houses built on stilts.

Damage was estimated at over CNY100,000,000 and about 300 persons were rendered homeless.—Reuter.

Soong Arrives In Canton

Canton, Oct. 1.

Mr. T. V. Soong arrived here yesterday and became Governor of Kwangtung Province.

Mr. Tsou Lin, former Vice-Minister of Finance, was mentioned as likely to be Secretary-General, while Mr. Ho Teh-kuei, former Secretary-General of the Shanghai Municipal Government, was expected to get an important post.

Both arrived with Mr. and Mrs. Soong.

All ranking officials were at the White Cloud airport to welcome the new Governor. Mrs. Soong carried an English-language magazine, "Now and Then."

Apart from saying that he was glad to be of service to Kwangtung, Mr. Soong made no other statement to newsmen but promised a press conference later.

An archway was erected on Han Min Road, North, to welcome the new Governor.—Associated Press.

Chinese Police Hold-Up U.S. Stevedores

Guan, Oct. 1.

Chinese military police halted American stevedores from loading a ship in Apra Harbour at Guantanamo Bay, Monday, it was learned today.

The island's Provost Marshal is investigating the incident, which the stevedores reported as having occurred while they were loading surplus American tractors on the "New Zealand Victory" bound for China.

The Chinese were assigned to Guan recently to protect newly transferred surplus property.

No explanation for the incident was given by the Chinese.—Associated Press.

Flies Atlantic For Baptism

London, Sept. 30.

A British war bride, Mrs. Marjorie Watson, from Richmond, Virginia, has made the 4,000-mile journey back to Norwich, England, where she met her G. I. husband during the war so that their baby daughter can be christened in St. Mark's Church there tomorrow.

Mrs. Watson met her husband, Hermann, now a sheet-metal worker in Richmond, when she was a WAAF and he was a sergeant in the United States Eighth Army Air Force.

She saved \$150 to pay for the trip to Britain by sea from her 210 a week as a shorthand typist with the Pontiac motor-car dealers in Richmond.

"I thought I would like my baby christened here, so though we are far from rich, I decided to do it," she said.

Mrs. Watson described herself as a very happy G. I. wife and said she thought the United States was a wonderful place in which to live.

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Yankees Win World Series Opener

Yankee Stadium, New York, Oct. 1.
The greatest world series crowd ever—73,365—paid to see the New York Yankees win the opener of the baseball classic from Brooklyn 5 to 3 when the Dodgers' 21-year-old pitching rookie, Ralph Branca, blew sky high in a fateful fifth inning.

The favoured Yankees poured all their runs across in one wild inning in which they more than battered around on three hits, three walks and a hit batsman.

Branca departed in the midst of a hoocaust. Except for that eruption, the winners got only one other man on base. Seldom has a world series game gone up the spout more quickly. Branca net the first dozen Yanks down in order, striking out five of them.

Frank Shief, brilliant Yank freshman pitcher, received credit for a victory after being lifted for a pinch hitter in the fifth.

A record crowd paid a record U.S.\$425,828 to see the game. Joe DiMaggio scratched the Yankees' first hit off Branca to open the fifth. Branca then walked but George McQuinn, Billy Johnson, Ray hit on the arm.

The Yanks were loaded. Johnny Lindell smacked a double, scoring two runners. Branca then walked out Rikuto.

Pinch hitting Bobby Brown drew two balls from Branca and

pulled. Hank Behrman replaced him. Brown walked, forcing in a run. George Stinewell hit into a force play for first out. Then Tommy Heinrich singled for two more runs. Two flyouts ended the frame.

The Dodgers scored in the first. Pete Reiser punched first on fielders' choice and scored on Dixie Walker's hit to short left. Brooklyn scored again in the sixth on pinch hitter Carl Furillo's single to centre. The final Dodger run came in the seventh on Pee Wee Reo's single, a stolen base and Page's two-base wild pitch.

Score: Yankees 5, Dodgers 3.
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